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MAYBE ONE DAY-Astronaut candidates view a Space Shuttle engine which may one day power them in space. They qualify as astronauts at the end of training in mid-1980. Mission Specialist Sally Ride, left, is one of six women in the group who are the first females to train for roles in outer space. Ronald

McNair, center, is one of the first blacks to join the ranks of astronaut hopefuls. Also in the class of 35 chosen from among 8,000 applicants is Pilot David Walker. The group toured the National Space Technology Laboratories facilities in Hancock County Thursday. (Staff photo by Leslie Williams).

NASA space cadets score several firsts

By LESLIE WILLIAMS

Thirty five astronaut candidates, including the first Black and female outer space aspirants, toured National Space Technology Laboratories (NSTL) in Hancock County Thursday to become oriented with functions of the site.

The tour was part of the candidates' curriculum for becoming astronauts. The potential astronauts viewed the U.S. Space Shuttle fuel tank assembly area, main engine and integration of fuel tank and engine.

NASA's Space Shuttle is the organization's most recent technological advancement in space travel.

The Space Shuttle will orbit the earth obtaining information about pollution, farming and activities in other parts of the world.

"We are touring NSTL to familiarize ourselves with different aspects of the Space Shuttle, because we may be using the shuttle for voyages in space if we are accepted as astronauts when our candidacy ends in mid-1980," said Astronaut Candidate David Walker.

Walker is one of 15 pilots in the astronaut candidate group, the other 20 are mission specialists, who are basically scientists.

There are six women astronaut candidates and all are mission specialists.

The candidates training period will last for two years; by mid-1980 final selection will be made. The majority of

candidates felt confident they would become astronauts in 1980.

Walker said there were 8,000 applicants, who applied in July 1977, from which the 35 candidates were chosen in January 1978.

Criteria for selection was based upon, our qualifications and ability to work together, said Walker.

"There are about 62 astronauts in the United States now, if you include us

SPACE CADETS-Page 4

Columbian crash adds to Anderson mystery

By RICH ADAMS and GERALYN MILLS

Reports of a Columbian plane crash in which no bodies were found raises the possibility Stennis Field operator Mel Anderson might still be alive.

A ranking U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration official late last week added further mystery to the Oct. 14 disappearance of TransAm President Mel Anderson with a report of the crash in Columbia in which no bodies were found.

Jim Bland of New Orleans, DEA special agent for four southern states including Mississippi, said Thursday Columbian authorities reported a plane crashed upon takeoff in Columbia and burned.

He said the South American authorities found no bodies in the wreckage.

Anderson, fixed-base operator for Stennis International Airport in Hancock County, has been missing since mid-October.

He was last known to be alive aboard a flight to Venezuela, from San Juan, Puerto Rico, to deliver an aircraft to the owner of a South American restaurant chain.

Anderson never arrived at his Venezuelan destination, authorities report; and is feared dead in an air crash.

"I don't know if Anderson ever went to Columbia. I don't know his whereabouts now," Bland said.

TIDES

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WEEK OF 12-3-78		
Sun.	12:55 a.m.	12:31 p.m.
Mon.	1:41 a.m.	1:17 p.m.
Tues.	2:24 a.m.	1:46 p.m.
Wed.	2:54 a.m.	1:57 p.m.
Thurs.	2:53 a.m.	
Fri.	9:49 p.m.	1:41 p.m.
Sat.	6:56 p.m.	12:25 p.m.
Sun.	6:53 p.m.	8:08 a.m.
	9:15 p.m.	7:59 a.m.

News Briefs

SSC BAND BOOSTERS

The St. Stanislaus Band Boosters annual Christmas fund raising social is Monday in the Knights of Columbus Hall in Bay St. Louis. Charles Staehle, president of the organization, said door prizes will be awarded throughout the evening. Tickets for the event are \$1 and may be purchased from band members or Band Boosters.

HIGH UTILITY PRICES

Geraldine Lang, secretary and spokesman for Concerned Citizens of Bay St. Louis reports and all out effort is being made to secure as many names as possible by Dec. 8 on a petition to be submitted to Bay St. Louis Mayor Larry Bennett in addition to 477 given the Bay official early last month. The petitions are requesting lower utility rates. Copies of the petitions are destined for Jackson and Washington. For further information, call Ms. Lang at 467-9586.

Mississippi I-10 completion still two years away: Tabb

By EDGAR PEREZ

Three gaps remain under construction in the Mississippi Interstate Highway System - 18 miles of I-10 in Jackson County; 1.4 miles of I-10 in Harrison County; and 11 miles of I-220 around Jackson.

State Highway Department Director John Tabb said all three incomplete segments will meet Department of Transportation deadlines to avoid any funds cutoffs.

"As a matter of fact, Mississippi may be eligible for additional money from some \$1.2 billion which has been returned to the Department of Transportation by other states which have failed to obligate their total Interstate allocations.

Tabb said completion of the 18 miles

of I-10 between Hwy. 57 east of Ocean Springs and the Alabama line will require "at least two years, maybe more."

The highway director said all bridges on the stretch are under construction, "and by the first of the year, all paving contracts will have been let."

He noted however, completion of the remaining stretch of I-10 spur between the beach and I-10, "is considerably further away than two years."

Tabb said he visited with Biloxi officials last week to discuss the highway project.

"This section passes through the urban area, must cross the L&N Railroad and US-90 for its exits and entrance ramps on the south side of the highway," Tabb said.

Public hearings are still to be conducted on several of the problems to be faced by the I-10 construction, Tabb noted.

A nine mile section of I-220 is scheduled for completion in December

of next year, with the lower portion of the perimeter route slated for traffic in the Spring of 1980, Tabb added.

Mississippi is spending \$30.6 million in federal funds on its Interstate System this year, the official pointed out.

Mississippi Farm Bureau Federation Director of Information Ed Blake makes a strong case for a concerted effort to complete the Interstate System throughout the U.S. in his syndicated column this week.

"Putting the matter in figures, the National Safety Council believes that around 800 lives and 50,000 injuries will be spared annually once the Interstate System is complete - a rather compelling reason for getting on with the

YEARS AWAY-Page 4

City Hall plans tree lighting

The annual City of Bay St. Louis Christmas tree lighting will be Saturday at 4 p.m. on the front lawn of City Hall.

Mrs. Joan Bennett, chairman of the event said the tree will be decorated with ornaments made by the school children in Bay St. Louis.

Each child will have his or her name on the ornaments to hang on the tree.

Music will be provided by the Choir of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church, the Senior Citizens Choir.

Also, soloist Susie Burton will sing a spiritual, and will be accompanied by Kina Maloney on the autoharp.

A live manger scene will be performed by students from Christ Episcopal Day-School.

Santa Claus will be escorted to City Hall on a city fire engine to light the tree.

The Christmas tree is being donated by Sam and Barbara Scafield of Evergreen Nursery and Mayor and Mrs. Larry J. Bennett.

Burglary suspects arrested

By ELLIS CUEVAS

Two men are being held by New Orleans police in connection with the burglary of two Waveland businesses, according to Investigator Robert Tartavouille of the Waveland Police Department.

Georgettes Dress Shop was burglarized Nov. 28 and Charles and Ramona's Lounge was hit on Nov. 29, police reported.

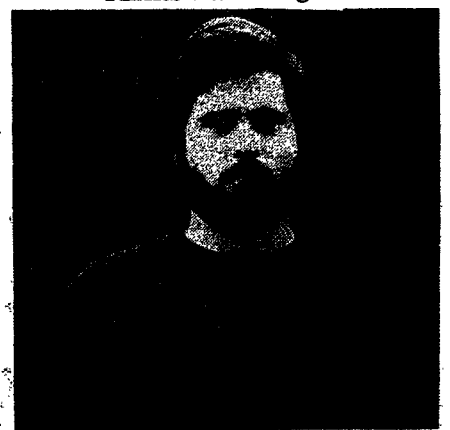
The two suspects, Nicola (Speedy) Thomas Petroff, US-90, Bay St. Louis, and Mike Billie Enzor, Fairmont, NC., were arrested Wednesday evening at the Sands Motel on Chef Menteur Highway in New Orleans, according to Tartavouille, and are being held by the New Orleans Police on fugitive warrants from Waveland for the alleged burglaries.

The initial investigations into the breakins were made by Waveland officer Terry Tartavouille at Georgettes and Allen James at Charles and Ramona's.

Investigator Tartavouille stated that some of the items taken in the burglaries have been returned to the owners.

Reportedly taken from Georgettes was a calculator and some small change. A Colt 38, cigarettes, vending machine change, sandwiches, cigars and one bottle of Tequila were missing from Charles and Ramona's, according to Tartavouille.

Waveland Investigator Sandra Henley, Tartavouille, New Orleans Police Sgt. Richard Hughes, Detectives David Morales, Chester Cooke and Jay Saacks apprehended Petroff and Enzor at the Motel.



Rand D. Riedrich

County gets new forester

By LESLIE WILLIAMS

Rand D. Riedrich has been appointed Hancock County Forester by the Mississippi Forestry Commission.

Riedrich will be responsible for managing the forest growth in Hancock County School District sixteenth section land.

Riedrich said he will try to make sixteenth section land as productive as possible.

"Hancock County has a land mass of approximately 300,000 acres, of this total, one of every 36 square miles in Hancock County is sixteenth section land, which belongs to the Hancock County School District," said Riedrich.

Riedrich added, "Nearly 70 percent of Hancock County is forest."

Riedrich will oversee growth of timberland for private property owners in Hancock County, as well as the school district's sixteenth section land.

Supervising fire fighting in forest land in the county during the fire season

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County jail addition relieves overcrowding

By RICH ADAMS

A new cell at Hancock County Jail and extension of the prisoner's exercise yard was completed last week, adding area to house four additional prisoners in the outdated facility.

The renovations were made possible by partial funding through a grant from the Criminal Justice Planning Division of the governor's office to the Hancock County Board of Supervisors.

The project was completed by Artigues Construction Company of Bay St. Louis and turned over to Hancock County Sheriff Sylvan Ladner Wednesday.

"The new cell space will house four female prisoners and will greatly relieve the crowded facilities at the outdated jail," said Ladner.

"The old jail was built in 1932 by the Works Project Administration and can only house approximately 20 prisoners," the sheriff continued.

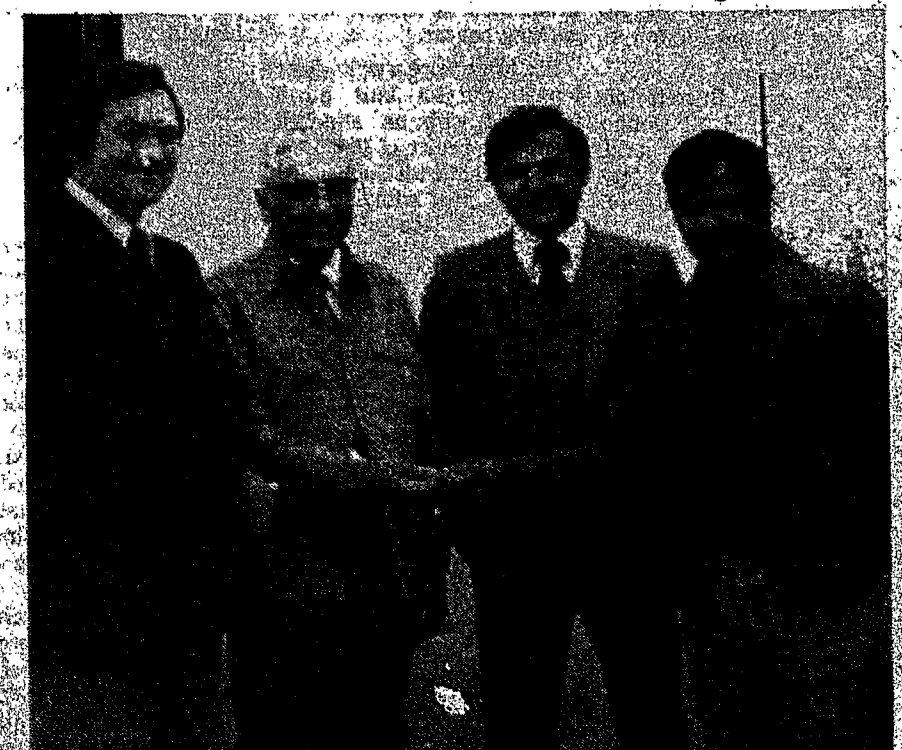
"We have housed as many as 45 prisoners in the jail on weekends. We

house prisoners from Bay St. Louis and Waveland Police Departments, Mississippi Highway Patrol, the Game and Fish Commission, and the Mississippi Seafood Commission," Ladner explained.

Gene Rogers from the Criminal Justice Planning Division was in Bay St. Louis Wednesday to turn the new cell over to Sheriff Ladner. Rogers' office supplied a \$5,555 grant to aide in constructing the cell.

"These funds are part of a total block grant the state received from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration earmarked for renovation of local correctional facilities. The new cell will give the sheriff's department additional space to house female prisoners," Rogers said.

"In a recent study by the governor's office of Mississippi correctional facilities showed Hancock County's jail was among those which are obsolete and need to be replaced," Rogers added.



NEW JAIL CELL-Billy Ellis, left, representing the Criminal Justice Planning Division of the governor's office; Hancock County Sheriff Sylvan Ladner; Gene Rogers, also with the governor's office; and Bay St. Louis Contractor Romulo Artigues, right, officially mark completion last week of a new four-man jail cell constructed by Artigues Construction Company. The new facility seen behind the officials was partially funded by the Criminal Justice Planning Division with a grant to the Hancock County Board of Supervisors. (Staff photo-Rich Adams).

Marie Cuevas and Terry Necaie wed in Annunciation nuptials

Miss Marie Darlene Cuevas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy A. Cuevas of Kiln, and Terry Louis Necaie, son of Mrs. Betty Jean Necaie of Gulfport and the late Vernon Necaie, were married Saturday afternoon, Nov. 18, at a Nuptial Mass at Annunciation Catholic Church, Kiln.

Father Austin Walsh, S.T., performed the double ring ceremony before an altar decorated with branched candelabra and arrangements of white fusi mums, tangerine carnations, peach pom poms, baby's breath and wheat.

Commentators were David Mauffray of Hattiesburg, cousin of the bride, and Sister Dolores Coleman, DC, Mrs. Olive Mc Kenna, organist, and Mrs. Lana Noonan, vocalist, both of Bay St. Louis, presented a program of nuptial music.

Jared Page and Rodney Necaie, brothers of the groom, and Jimmy Candebat carried the offertory gift.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a formal length quiana gown fashioned with a high neckline, fitted sleeves and chapel length train.

The sheer bodice was adorned with Venise lace appliques trimmed in seed pearls. Her Camelot headpiece of Venise lace re-embroidered with seed pearls, held a cathedral length train of bridal illusion edged in matching lace.

She carried a cascade bouquet of white and peach silk roses and lily of the valley, white sweetheart roses

and silk English ivy. Brenda Cuevas attended her sister as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Bea Wiggins, Hattiesburg; Ann Olinger, Long Beach; Anita Lennep, Moss Point; and Barbara Barkley, Waveland. Kimberly Williams of Gulfport, niece of the groom was flower girl.

The maid of honor and flower girl wore a peach polyester formal gowns and the bridesmaids wore copper polyester gowns fashioned with chiffon capes trimmed with satin ribbons.

They wore headpieces of baby's breath and carried sheaves of wheat with peach silk roses and baby's breath. Johnny Necaie attended his brother as best man.

Groomsmen were Greg Hoda, cousin of the groom, and Anthony Necaie, brother of the groom, both of Gulfport; Richard Hoda, Kiln, uncle of the groom; and Sonny Fulton, Dallas, Tex.

Ushers were Timmy Brister, Moss Point, cousin of the bride, and Kevin Hoda, Gulfport, cousin of the groom. Randy Cuevas of Bay St. Louis, cousin of the bride, served as ringbearer.

The mother of the bride wore a formal gown of apricot polyester overlaid with a chiffon cape; and the mother of the groom chose a sea-foam green floor length gown fashioned with a chiffon capelet. Both mothers wore matching lace.

A reception was held at Jourdan River Shores Club House, where the bride's table, overlaid with a white

lace cloth over peach, held a six tier cake topped with a dove ornament, flanked by candelabra and arrangements of peach and white pom poms and baby's breath.

Elaine Mauffray of Birmingham, Ala., and Mrs. Roy Cuevas, Bay St. Louis, aunts of the bride, presided at the cake table. Mrs. Jerry Brister, Moss Point, aunt of

the bride, and Rhonda Cuevas, Bay St. Louis, cousin of the bride, presided at the punch table.

Others assisting at the reception were Mrs. Gussy

Cuevas, Bay St. Louis; aunt of the bride; Ruby Pardue, Birmingham, Ala.; and Mrs. C.J. Cameron, Kiln, the bride's cousin.

Tea girls were Melanie Cuevas, Rachelle Cuevas, cousins of the bride; Belinda Cameron, Kiln; and Tammy and Melanie Hoda, Gulfport, cousins of the groom. Terri Brister, of Moss Point kept the guest register.

For her wedding trip to the Gulf Coast, the bride picked a two piece champagne en-

semble with wine accessories and a corsage of matching silk roses.

The couple will reside in Eatontown, N.J., where the groom is serving with the U.S. Navy on the USS Surribachl.

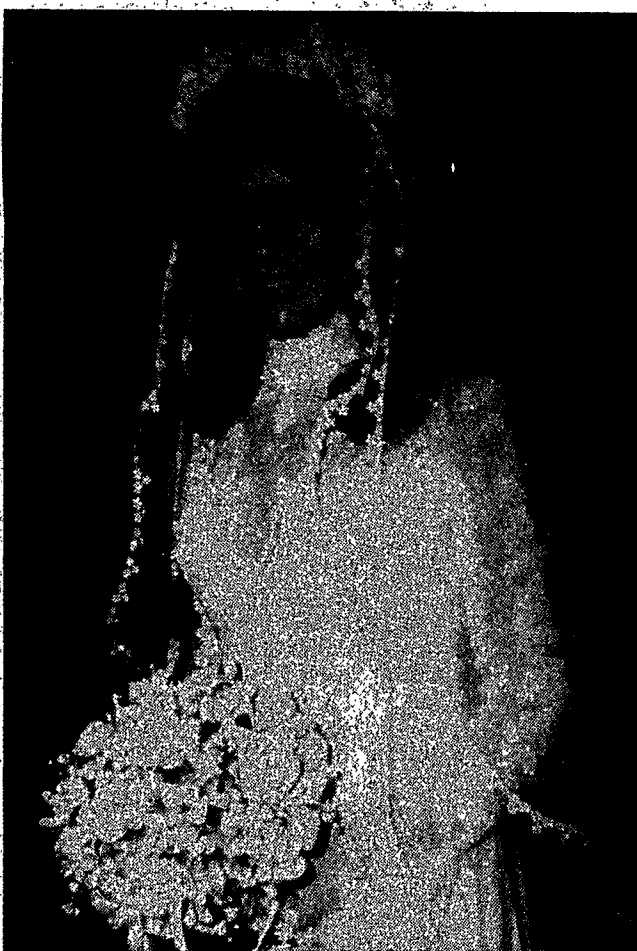
Among out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Wheat and family, Baton Rouge, La.; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Brister and family, Moss Point; Elaine Mauffray and Ruby Pardue, Birmingham, Ala.; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Mauffray, and Mrs.

Edwina Genl, Picayune; Mr. and Mrs. David Mauffray, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Wiggins, Hattiesburg; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hoda and family, Mrs. Josie Garriga, Darryl Mauffray and Mrs. Pearl Bennett, Gulfport; Jim Schott, Oxford, Miss.; Mrs. Marguerite Boesch, Brother Kenny Boesch, Mrs. Shirley Mc Ollister, Mrs. Genevieve Ridall, all of New Orleans, La.; and Louis Bennett, Pass Christian.



MR. AND MRS. TERRY LOUIS NECAIE

Stromeyer, Weitz wed in Metairie



MRS. MARC ANDREW WEITZ

Judy Lois Stromeyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Stromeyer Jr. of Metairie, La., and Marc Andrew Weitz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Loyal W. Weitz of El Paso, Texas, were married October 21 at St. Catherine of Siena Church in Metairie.

Rev. Gerald Barrett officiated and Mrs. Donna Humphrey, organist, and Joseph Macaluso, soloist, presented a program of nuptial music.

The bride is the grand daughter of Mrs. Thelma S. Usner of Metairie and the late John A. Usner, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Stromeyer Sr. of Waveland.

The bridegroom is the grandson of Mrs. Ruth Kohlman of Fairview Park, Ohio, and the late William Kohlman, and Mrs. Nettie Weitz of Bessemer, Penn., and the late Charles Weitz.

Mrs. Dorothy Tilden Trick attended the bride as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Ann Compagno Stromeyer, Mrs. Cheryl Thomas Stromeyer and Mrs. Nancy Richter Brauner. Junior bridesmaid was Miss Jackie Holmes of Potomac, Md., niece of the groom. Miss Jennifer Stromeyer was flower girl.

Mr. Weitz attended his son as best man. Groomsmen were John Weitz, brother of the groom, and Dr. F. Wayne Stromeyer and Gary Stromeyer, brothers of the bride. Erik Stromeyer served as ring bearer.

The bride wore a white floor length quiana knit gown fashioned with an attached train. The bodice of Venetian lace overlaid with English net were trimmed with lace appliques and lace edged the trumpet shaped cuffs and hemline of the skirt. Her cathedral length veil was held by a floral headpiece and she carried a nosegay of white silk roses and lilies of the valley.

The bridesmaids wore blue quiana knit dresses fashioned with diamond shaped open lace designs at the necklines and chiffon capes. They carried blue silk flowers interspersed with fall colored flowers.

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony at the Champagne Room in Jefferson, La.

Following a honeymoon in Gatlinburg, Tenn., the couple will reside in Metairie, La.

LOVE ANALYZED
Hume Cronyn and Jessica Tandy perform their stage hit, "The Many Faces of Love," for ETV at 7 p.m., Tuesday, December 12.

The Sea Coast Echo social register

Ainsworth wedding solemnized at Bay First Baptist Church

Miss Esperanza Lopez Maese, daughter of Manuel Lopez Lopez of Malaga, Spain, and Charles Edwin Ainsworth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry M. Ainsworth of Bay St. Louis were married Saturday evening, Nov. 11, at First Baptist Church, Bay St. Louis.

Rev. Nathan Barber performed the double ring ceremony and Mrs. Brenda Scafidi presented a program of nuptial music.

Given in marriage by the groom's father, the bride wore a formal gown of white peau de sole overlaid with silk

organza fashioned in Spain. The bodice featured a neckline trimmed with wide lace and short sleeves edged with matching lace. Her cathedral length veil of illusion, outlined with applique lace roses, fell from a headpiece of matching lace. She carried a nosegay of blue roses with miniature blue daisies edged in seed pearls.

Miss Cynthia Ainsworth, sister of the groom, was maid of honor and Ralph Ainsworth attended his brother as best man.

Following the ceremony a reception was held in the church fellowship hall.



MR. AND MRS. CHARLES E. AINSWORTH

Health agency seeks '79 children's art

Children's art for Christmas Seals will again be featured in 1980, announced Donald M. Dana, Jr., of Long Beach, president of the Mississippi Lung Association.

Patterned after the four previous successful projects, Mississippi youngsters in kindergarten through grade three are asked once again to paint pictures which depict the holiday theme.

Elementary art teachers are encouraged to conduct the Christmas Seal design project as a class activity and to send the two best paintings from each classroom to the Mississippi Lung Association by December 15, 1978.

Artwork from Mississippi students will be judged by a committee of artists in Jackson. Six preliminary winning designs will be sent to the American Lung Association for final selection of one design to represent Mississippi on the sheet of 54 Christmas Seals in 1980.

Dana added that although the two years advance is necessary for local state-national judging and artwork production schedules, the six Mississippi preliminary winners will be announced in February, 1979.

Participation in the

Mississippi Children's Christmas Seal Art Project continues to increase", Dana stated. "We are grateful to the art and classroom teachers for their cooperation and interest and we commend the students for their creative work."

Mississippi Christmas Seal artists include Karen Comer of Fulton, 1975; Carlton McCurry of Greenville, 1977; Ted Pruitt Allen, II, of Magee, 1978 and Stacy Lantrip of Batesville, 1979.

Dana concluded that the 1980 Christmas Seal art project is co-sponsored by the National Art Education Association and the American Lung Association.

Additional information may be obtained from the Mississippi Lung Association, Post Office Box 9865, Jackson, 39206.

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Green celebrates 1st birthday

Chris Green celebrated his first birthday with a party Sunday afternoon at the Lakeshore home of his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Victor Green Jr.

Joining in the celebration were his parents Mr. and Mrs. Victor Green III, his sister, Kim; Mrs. Mary

Ladner, Mrs. Karen Ladner and son Ray, Mrs. Joyce Daniels and son Jerry, Mr. and Mrs. George Day and daughter Lora, Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Ladner and daughter Teddy Lynn, Mr. and Mrs.

Charles Breland and daughter Gretchen, Mrs. Alice Ray and children Donna and Denece, Mrs. Laura Ladner, Mrs. Cynthia Ladner, Mrs. Riba Toomey, Miss Marlene Ladner, Miss Carol Seay, Mrs. Deanie Cuevas and her son Dean and daughter Rachel.

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Echoes

The Flower Show Committee of Bay-Waveland Garden Club met Thursday at the home of Mrs. Fred Logan, 108 Lafitte Drive, Waveland.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Capdepon spent Thanksgiving Holidays with their daughter Mrs. William Higgins and daughter Janice in Gulfport. Joining them Thanksgiving day were Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Bassett of Pascagoula, Capt. and Mrs. Henry Capdepon Jr., and children Wesley and Henry III, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Welch and son Shawn, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gay and sons Bobby and Michael, all of Gulfport.

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Bourgeois, Hamm engagement told

Lt. Colonel (ret) and Mrs. Randolph C. Bourgeois of Bay St. Louis, Miss., announce the engagement of their daughter, Renee Ann, to Michael J. Hamm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hilton H. Hamm of Gulfport, Miss.

The bride-elect is a graduate of James W. Robinson High School, Fairfax, Va., and Longwood College, Farmville, Va., where she was president of Longwood College Panhellenic Council and a member of Alpha Phi Social Sorority. She is presently employed in the Consultation and Education Department at the Gulf Coast Mental Health Center, Gulfport.

Miss Bourgeois is the granddaughter of Mrs. Frank Larosa of Bay St. Louis and the late Randolph Bourgeois

and Mrs. Kenneth Marsteller of Beaumont, Tex., and the late B.G. Sartwell of Livingston, La.

The prospective groom, a graduate of Gulfport High School, attended Jefferson Davis Junior College and received a B.S. Degree in Education at the University of Southern Mississippi, where he was a Phi Theta Kappa member and editor of the college newspaper; he was also named to Who's Who among students in American Colleges and Universities. He is presently employed by Bay-Waveland Municipal School District as a teacher at Bay Junior High School.

The wedding will be solemnized at 3:30 p.m. December 17 at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church.



RENEE BOURGEOIS AND MICHAEL HAMM

Stiglets host family dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred J. Raboteau Jr. of Bay St. Louis announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Lillian, to Michael George Johnson, son of Mrs. Emma Mae Johnson of Baton Rouge, La., and the late Albert Johnson.

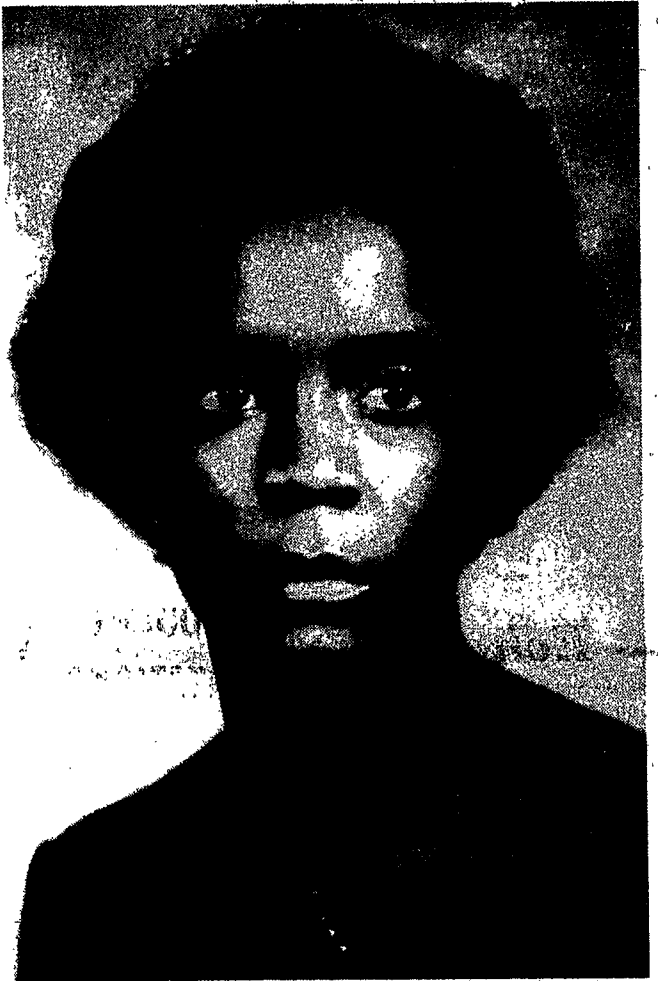
The bride-elect is a 1977 graduate of Bay St. Louis Senior High School.

The prospective groom, a

graduate of White Castle High School, Baton Rouge, is presently serving with the U.S. Air Force, stationed at Keesler AFB.

The marriage will be solemnized at 2 p.m. Saturday, December 9, at St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church, Bay St. Louis, with a reception following in St. Rose cafeteria.

Relatives and friends are hereby invited to attend.



LISA RABOTEAU

State Garden Clubs offer December planting hints

By MRS. C. H. WOOD

DECEMBER GARDEN GUIDE

In December, cooler weather begins to slow gardening activities. There is still plenty to be done. If you still have tulip bulbs in your refrigerator that have been precooling, plant them now. For best effect, mass them by variety and color.

Leaves must be raked off the lawn to keep the grass from being smothered. Accumulated leaves deprive the grass of sunlight, hindering the grass to remain green and healthy as it goes into dormancy.

Now is a good time to sketch out major landscape changes you would like to make so that you can begin planting ornamental trees and shrubs, roses, fruit trees, nut trees, woody vines, blueberries, strawberries, blackberries, bunch grapes and muscadines, and woody ground covers.

In addition, you can begin transplanting those evergreens that have outgrown their location or those that receive incorrect light or are in incorrect soil.

You can propagate many woody plants from hardwood cuttings collected this month. Among those easiest to propagate many woody plants from hardwood cuttings collected this month. Among those easiest to propagate from cuttings are crepe myrtle, abelia, flowering

quince, forsythia and hydrangea.

Limit pruning to mildly shaping and thinning to get trees and shrubs ready for winter weather ahead. Leave severe pruning until late winter, just before the plants will be putting on new growth.

Continue to mow lawns of ryegrass and fescue weekly. Fertilize the winter lawn every 6 to 8 weeks with 16-4-8 or similar complete fertilizer.

You can still set out your pansies to add color to flowerbeds and as borders for deciduous shrubs.

To prolong the period of enjoyment of a potted poinsettia, select a plant with tiny flowers in the center that are just beginning to open. Place the plant in good light away from drafts, and keep it well watered.

There are other potted flowers that can brighten your home this holiday season and make spring seem a little less distant after the holidays are

over. Among the most commonly available potted flowers are chrysanthemums, Christmas cactus, geraniums, gloxinias and kalanchoe.

Select cut Christmas trees carefully. Choose full, dense tree with branches evenly spaced, firm and flexible. Be sure the tree has a good green color. This indicates it is fresh, fire-resistant, and will last long.

Place the tree in a container that holds water. Add water as necessary to replace moisture absorbed by the tree. Consider giving living Christmas trees as holiday gifts. Be sure there is a place on the recipient's grounds for the particular type of tree you have in mind, and that it is of a species that will thrive in his location.

Another gift for a garden friend is a good garden book or a subscription to a good garden magazine. Happy Holidays!

independent men and women possible. That building is the National Air and Space Museum, and exhibits from many of the museum's exhibit halls are included in the program. Also utilized are vintage photographs, early newscast film of flight's pioneers and close-up examinations of the museum's collection of aircraft and spacecraft.

Corps files aquatic plant control report

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Mobile announced that a final environmental impact statement and a statement of findings recommending continuation of the aquatic plant control program have been filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The program provides for management and control of aquatic plants in the navigable waters, tributary streams, connecting channels, and other allied waters of the Mobile district.

This area includes the drainage basins of the Pearl, Pascagoula, Black Warrior, Tombigbee, Alabama-Coosa, Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint, St. Marks and intervening river systems, and a section of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway from the Rigolets in Louisiana to St. Marks, Florida.

The objective of the aquatic plant control program is to

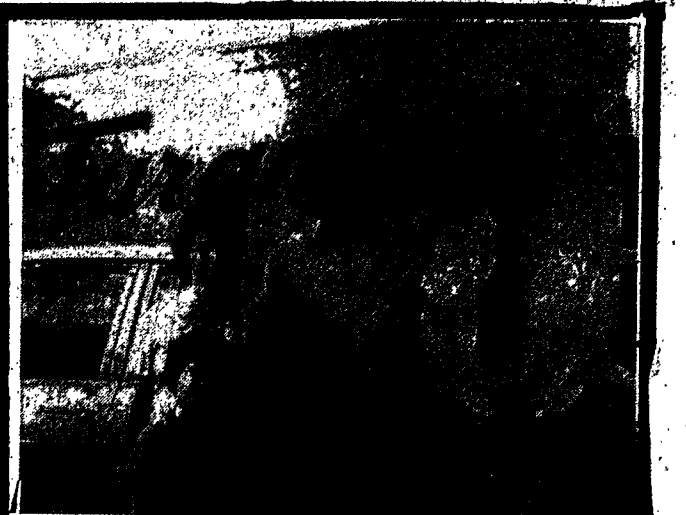
restore balance to the aquatic ecosystem and to permit unrestricted use of the water resource.

Control measures consist of approved chemicals, chemicals, biological control organisms, mechanical methods, and combinations.

The final statement was prepared after careful review of the comments received from various federal, state, and local agencies as required by Section 102 of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

Interested individuals and groups can obtain a copy of the final environmental statement by writing or telephoning the Army Corps of Engineers District Office at Mobile.

Written requests should be addressed to the U.S. Army Engineer District, Mobile, P.O. Box 2288, Mobile, ALA 36628; telephone requests should be made to (205) 690-2721.



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SPEC. 4 E.X. SMITH
Spec. 4 Ernest X. Smith Jr., whose wife Lynne lives in Pass Christian, recently participated in Gallant Eagle 79, a joint readiness exercise at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. More than 25,000 troops from all four services and the Army and Air Force Reserves and National Guard participated in the month-long exercise.

Smith is regularly assigned as a military policeman with the 65th Military Police Company at Fort Bragg, N.C. He entered the Army in December, 1975.

The specialist is a 1974 graduate of Pass Christian High School.

His mother, Mrs. Thelma M. Smith, lives at 379 Fleitas Ave., Pass Christian. His father, Ernest X. Smith, lives at 4315 Kennon Ave., New Orleans, La.

ETV CLASSES

A dramatization of Frances Hodgson Burnett's "The Secret Garden" is the second in this season's "Once Upon a Classic" series broadcast on the Mississippi ETV Network. The seven half-hour episodes of "The Secret Garden" can be seen at 5:30 p.m., Mondays, beginning Dec. 11. "The Secret Garden" tells the story of Mary Lennox (Sarah Hollis Andrews), a rude little girl who learns to change her ways and bring love to a bitter, dark household. Frances Hodgson Burnett wrote "The Secret Garden" to express her passion for gardening and growing things and to fulfill her desire to tell the world to "be happy." Gardening had been a way of life for her since her childhood living outside of the mill town of Manchester, England, in a place called Seedley Grove. There the small backyard afforded her a sort of "paradise," and she thrived on the flowers, birds and trees.

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LETTERS

To The Editor



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December 1, 1978
The Sea Coast Echo

Dear Ellis:

Thank you for the tremendous support you and your staff gave us throughout the 1978 Hancock County United Way campaign.

The Sea Coast Echo was our primary channel for reaching the citizens of Hancock County and with your assistance we did just that by working together to effectively present the facts about the United Way of Hancock county.

Your excellent features on our agencies, fund raising activities and

campaign progress reports focused public attention and interest on the 1978 campaign.

All the publicity the Sea Coast Echo provided, coupled with the tireless and unselfish work of a relatively small group of dedicated volunteers, resulted in the 1978 campaign receiving more pledges and contributions than ever before.

Thanks again for all of the help you gave us this year.

Sincerely,
Wayne Ducomb, Jr.
1978 Hancock County
United Way Campaign
Chairman

The Bottom Line

Candid Answers To Your Questions
About Advertising and Business Topics.By S. GALE DENLEY
Associate Professor of Journalism
University of Mississippi

I saw that professional people were now allowed to advertise, but I haven't seen any yet. What's the deal? Just Curious.

Dear JC: Court divisions have overruled professional groups' ban on advertising for their members.

But as you observe, most practitioners have not begun to take advantage of their new freedom. They will.

Originally, advertising by "professionals" was banned because a few characters were attempting to dupe a gullible public through questionable promotions.

The attitude the groups managed to foster to combat these questionable practices was advertising by professionals is unethical.

This premise is, of course, pure facie nonsense. Advertising is not ethical or unethical—it is not moral, immoral or amoral. Advertising has no character, except that of the advertiser. For advertising is simply a projection of the business or professional man into the marketplace.

If the advertiser is unethical—so is the ad.

If the advertiser is ethical the ad is also.

The reluctance you mention on the part of professional people to advertise their services is probably two-fold:

1) The carry over from the past ban on advertising, and

2) the new freedom, while opening the avenue for advertising, has yet to be worked into their overall programs of services.

Both are understandable. The first is due to habit, and the second is due to caution.

For an advertising program is not something to be entered into lightly.

It requires thought, study, testing, and something few newcomers have—experience.

Professionals have a lot to relate to us through the media. Most of them have a sense of mission about this need to communicate with the public.

How they cope with the new freedom will be interesting. It will be a learning experience for all of us.

Send Questions or Comments
to S. Gale Denley, Associate
Professor, Department of Journalism,
University, Miss. 38677.

Years Away...

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"job," Blake said.

Text of Blake's column follows:

THE INTERSTATE
SITUATION

By ED BLAKE

With the decline and fall of the U.S. Railway system, the nation's farmers depend more heavily than ever on the nation's highways—both for receiving production supplies and equipment and for delivering what they produce through marketing systems.

Farmers in the thirties and forties sought to get their wheels out of the mud and were successful in creating the farm-to-market roadway concept which has opened up the backroads into mostly hard-surfaced roadways which have spurred development of the nation.

And while all Americans can claim a share in the victory over mud, road development in the period of the seventies still is ironically mired down in the struggle to complete an interstate system.

Missing links in the system today are bottlenecking the movement of people and goods at great financial cost. Further, countless lives are lost annually because so many construction units are stalled.

Throughout the U.S. around 3,000 miles of the designated 42,500 mile Interstate Highway System are still not open to traffic, according to the U.S. Department of Transportation, 22 years after the system was first authorized.

The '78 Congress tried to spur the project along with passage of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act which authorized nearly \$13.5 billion for Interstate completion through 1982.

And all those idle gaps on the nation's roadmaps will be erased from the drawing boards if construction on them has not begun by September 30, 1986.

The national system of interstate highways was created by Congress in 1956 as the most ambitious, visible public works project in transportation. It was anticipated that the system would be completed six years ago at a cost of \$37 billion.

But sadly, today the project is bogged down in countless places while costs have escalated to nearly \$69 billion.

Factors responsible for the added costs include an additional 1,500 miles added in 1968 to the initial 41,000 mile system. Also, safety and design standards have been increased.

Social and environmental factors have taken a toll. New legislation requiring relocation assistance for homes and businesses, beautification and landscaping, erosion control, sound barriers and rest area facilities has set five-year projects back an additional two years.

The Highway Users Federation reports that inflation has sent highway construction costs up to the point where today's highway dollar buys less than half of what it did ten years ago.

Construction delays created by opposition to Interstate segments, litigation, and the processing of environmental impact statements have been major factors in stretching out the completion time for many of the unfinished miles.

On some highway jobs delays cost as much as \$10,000 a day, according to a Department of Transportation official.

Public safety is a major reason that we need to get on with the program, according to Highway Users Federation president Peter Koltnow who reports that incomplete gaps in the system have had fatality and injury rates more than twice that of the completed portions.

Putting the matter in figures literally, the National Safety Council believes that around 800 lives and 50,000 injuries will be spared annually once the interstate system is complete—a rather compelling reason for getting on with the job.

Forester...

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of November through April is another task of the forester.

"As much as 400 arsons a year are committed in forest land in Hancock County," disclosed Reichrich, "one of my objectives while I am forester will be to reduce the number of arsons."

"Arsonist are difficult to convict though. Two eye-witnesses must actually see the crime committed before a conviction will hold," he continued.

Reichrich, 24, of New Orleans was appointed to his position on Sept. 1. He received a bachelor of science degree in forestry from Louisiana Tech University.

Reichrich has worked for several forestry services in the United States and the New Zealand Forest Service.

Reichrich said he will also be glad to advise Hancock County private property owners on how to best manage forest growth on their lands, if they need assistance.

Reichrich's office is located at the Hancock County Court House in Bay St. Louis.

Opinion
The editorial page



POTENTIAL ASTRONAUTS - Thirty-five astronaut candidates, of whom five are women and two black, gather in front of building 1100 at the National Space Technology Laboratories (NSTL) prior to a tour of the facility. The group was selected in January from 8,000 other applicants. Candidates who qualify

will become full-fledged astronauts in mid-1980. The group is comprised of 15 pilots and 35 mission specialists. The candidates visited NSTL Friday to familiarize themselves and increase their general knowledge of the facility's functions.

McDonnell named
MCAFA prexy

Capt. John McDonnell, commander of the Naval Oceanographic Office at Hancock County's National Space Technology Laboratories was named 1979 president of the Mississippi Coast Association of Federal Administrators.

McDonnell was named to the presidency in awards and election ceremonies at the Keesler Air Force Base Officer's Club in Biloxi Thursday.

He was 1978 vice-president of the MCAFA, which represents more than 60 federal agencies on the Gulf Coast.

McDonnell replaces outgoing president Maj. Gen. John S. Putsay, commander of Keesler Technical Training Center.

Also at the ceremonies, Lucy Bickham, a Keesler Air Force Base supervisory training instructor in military administration was named Gulf Coast Federal Employee of the Year.

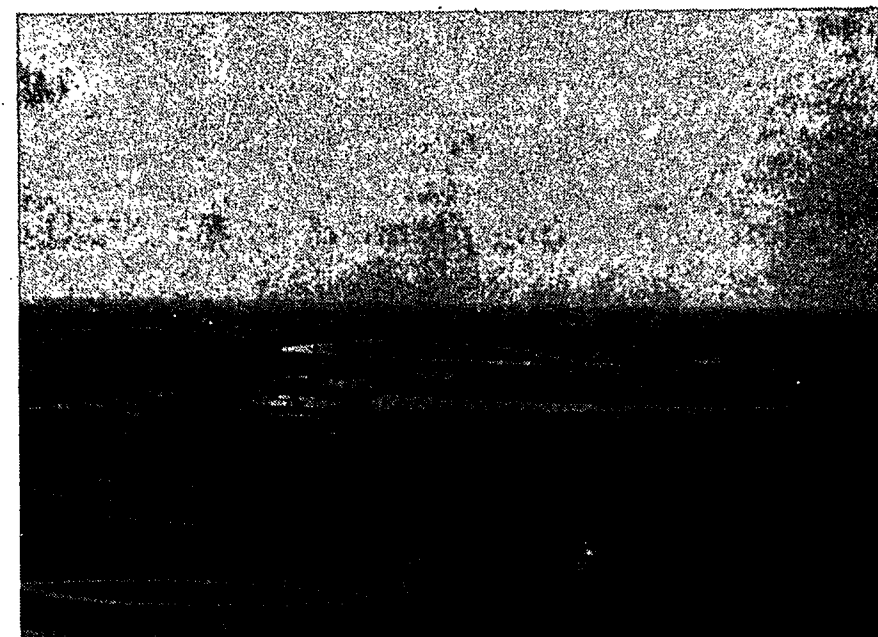
Ms. Bickham was one of six nominees considered by the MCAFA. She was cited for her leadership abilities in upgrading training environment, in creatively using professional audio aids and in developing curricula.

She was also recognized for the leading role she has taken in the Federal Women's Program.

Virginia M. Capone, a supervisory clinical nurse at Keesler, was runner-up.

Dr. Wilma J. Knox, a clinical psychologist at Biloxi's Veteran's Administration Center, was second runner-up.

Guest speaker was David Caldwell, regional director of the U.S. Civil Service Commission, Atlanta. He spoke on implementation of the Civil Service reform act.



PANORAMIC VIEW OF NSTL SITE IN HANCOCK COUNTY FROM FUEL STRUCTURE MADE DURING THURSDAY'S ASTRONAUT CANDIDATES TOUR.



FUEL TANK-Astronaut candidates David Walker, left, and Gulon S. Bluford, far right, and other candidates in the background discuss the Space Shuttle fuel tank at the NSTL site in Hancock County. The candidates said they were very impressed with the site. Only 35 of 8,000 applicants qualified to become astronaut candidates. (Staff Photo-Leslie Williams)

Space Cadets ... CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

candidates," said Walker, "and about 27 if you don't."

Walker said he thinks the last group of astronaut candidates was chosen in 1966.

In generally describing the candidates, Walker said of himself and others in the group, "I think we're all basically success oriented type folks, who want to get the job done."

Astronaut Candidate Gulon S. Bluford, classified as a mission specialist said, "The group is just a nice bunch of people—we have compatible personalities, yet we are very different."

"Since we started our candidacy together we have spent approximately 50 percent of our time together in

classes and 60 percent of our time together socially, participating in sport activities," continued Bluford.

Bluford said ages in the group range from 28 to 40 years.

"Average age of the group would be in the early 30's," Bluford said.

Astronaut Candidate Sally Ride, mission specialist, agreed that the candidates are a "great group."

Theoretically speaking Ride said, "If I become an astronaut, and if I am selected to go on a space mission on the Space Shuttle, I would like to bring an x-ray telescope with me so I could look for black holes on the sun."

"To me, observing black holes would mean further confirmation of Einstein's Theory of Relativity," commented the candidate.

Ride said she doesn't think the Space Shuttle will have an x-ray telescope on it in 1980 though.

Because both men and women are in the group, some speculation may occur about the type of interaction that exists in the group, but Walker, and Bluford both agree that there is no sexual activity within the group.

"There won't be enough time to participate in extracurricular activities of that sort during missions in space," said Walker.

Bluford added, "Practically all of us are married, and I don't think anyone in the group is dating another member of the group," said Bluford.

Walker said he suggests two plans of action for those interested in becoming astronauts.

"Get as much and as good an education as possible."

"And set your goals as high as you can and never assume you can't attain them," advised the candidate.



PRETTY ASTRONAUT - Twenty nine-year-old astronaut candidate Anna L. Fisher will be an astronaut in 1980 if she successfully completes her two-year training as a candidate. Fisher, has brown hair, hazel eyes and stands five feet, four inches tall and weighs 110 lbs. She was selected along with 34 others as an astronaut candidate from 8,000 applicants. Mrs. Fisher has a doctorate in medicine. (Staff Photo-Leslie Williams)

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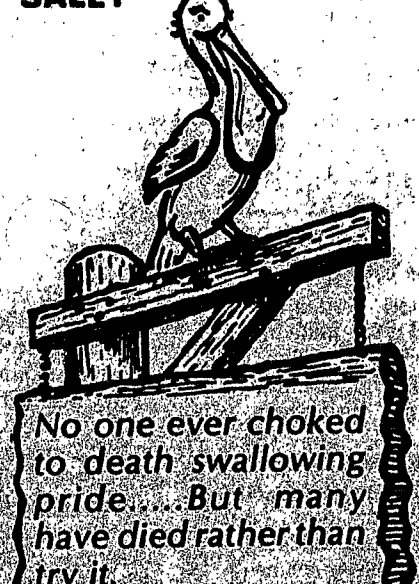
—Link personnel management more closely to the state's budgeting processes.

—Move toward provision of adequate compensation for all positions on a basis comparable to business and similar public units.

—Provide extensive education and training opportunities and programs for employees.

—Improved middle- and upper-management development and recruitment.

—Create a standard data base to reflect accurate numbers of total employees, agencies, and levels of compensation. This would eliminate much of the confusion which exists in the state's current system.

SALTY
SALLY

It's the loafer's heart that is more likely to cause trouble—not the athlete's heart.

The notion that the athlete's heart is normal and unhealthily enlarged has long been exposed as a myth, says the Mississippi State Medical Association.

The athlete has for many years been coached to extend himself beneficially beyond the ear / stages of fatigue in a progressive training program.

As a result his heart pumps a greater output of blood per minute with fewer beats. It relaxes longer and more completely between beats. The heart works more efficiently at rest and far more capably during activity.

As the body's prime endurance muscle, the athlete's heart enlarges only moderately if at all, and reverts to initial size when rigorous training ceases. There is no evidence to show that exercise has ever damaged a normal, healthy heart in a properly conditioned athlete.

Hearts are weakened by disease or congenital defects, not by sports. However, considerable exertion is needed to "train" a heart, and keep it trained, and this stress can be harmful if disease or defect is present. This is one of the reasons for thorough physical examination of all prospective athletes.

The loafer's heart is only seemingly healthy. Its level of tolerance is geared only to the sedentary life that produced it, and may not suffice at moments of unusual stress, such as fast snow shoveling on a winter morning.

The loafer's heart is also more vulnerable to emotional pressure and excessive smoking.

A strong, healthy heart is by no means the exclusive property of the varsity athlete or the pro. And he won't keep it permanently unless he keeps up with physical exercise after his sport career ends.

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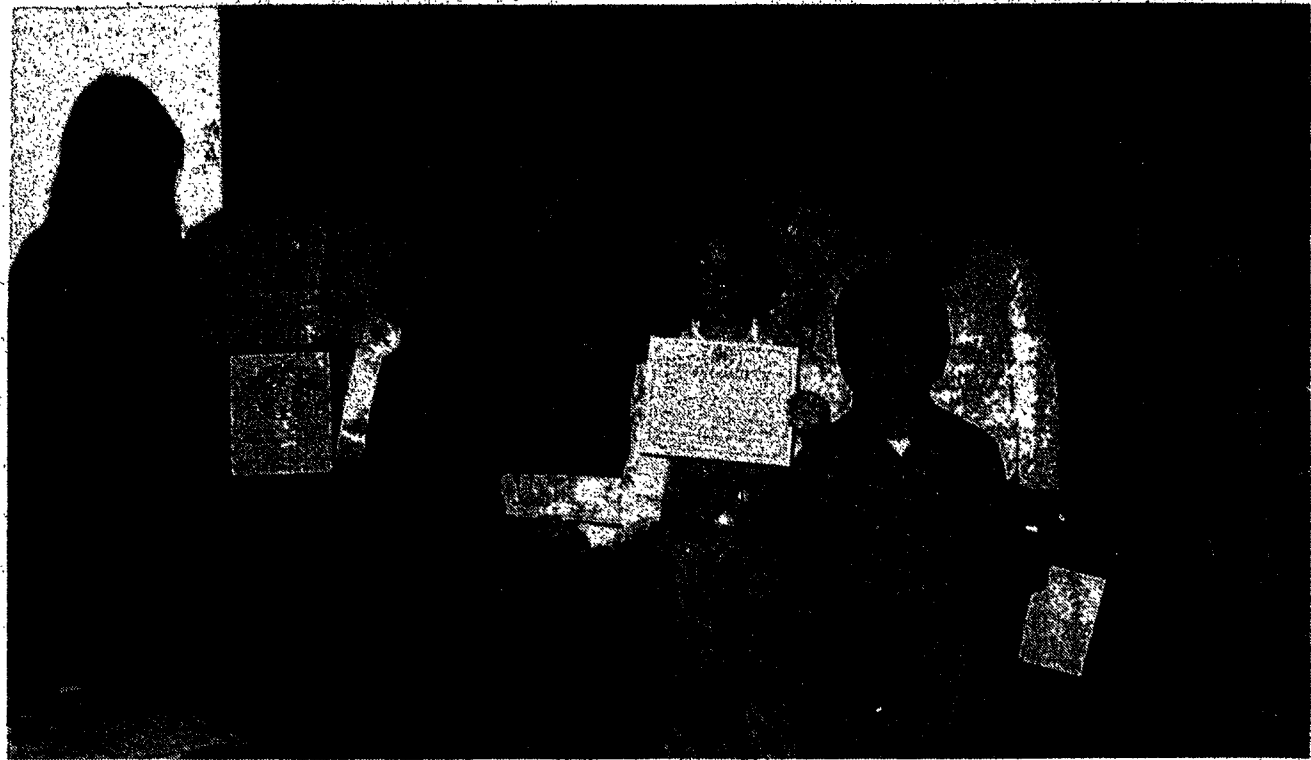
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NECAISE CROSSING 4-H CLUB-Members and leaders of this club were recognized for their participation in the Community Pride Contest. Mr. Grady Ford, representing Chevron U.S.A.,

presented a plaque and \$25.00 check to the group. The club also received their charter and a plaque from South Central Bell Telephone Company.



OUTSTANDING 4-H MEMBERS - Kim Ladner, Tammy Buchanan, and Tangel Lee received outstanding 4-H member plaques from Felix Famularo, right, director of the Hancock County Farm Bureau which sponsors these awards.

Wool promotion program approved

Preliminary results of a recent wool referendum show that 88 percent of the sheep producers in Mississippi favor a wool and lamb promotion program.

Franklin A. Gemin, county executive director of the Pearl River - Hancock County Agricultural Conservation Office, said approval of the program means advertising and other market development activities promoting the sale of wool will be continued

under a new agreement between the Agriculture and the American Sheep Producers Council, Inc. (ASPC). The agreement authorizes deductions of up to 25 cents a pound, from payments made on short wool and 12.5 cents a hundredweight on unshorn lambs marketed during 1978 through 1981.

Nationally, 32,689 producers voted in the referendum. Of this amount, 24,752 were in favor of the wool promotion program and 8,037 were

against it. Sheep owned by the producers voting in the national referendum totaled 6,113,113.

The ASPC's official said the ASPC's expenditures for wool and lamb promotion last year were about \$2.2 million, the same amount budgeted for the current year.

Sheep producers have approved the lamb and wool promotion by the necessary two-thirds majority in six referendums held since 1954.

Food supplement program funded at \$3 million

Mississippi has been allotted \$2,893,033 for the first quarter of fiscal year 1979 for the operation of its special supplemental food program for women, infants and children (WIC), according to David B. Alspach, Southeast regional administrator of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service.

In addition to the state's allotment, Alspach said the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians was allocated \$81,453 for the same period of time. Alspach said the allocation was made under a formula announced in Washington by Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Carol Tucker Foreman. It takes into account poverty, population and health factors.

"It will enable us," Alspach said, "to focus on areas in the greatest need for food assistance."

The WIC program, which is administered by the USDA's Food and Nutrition Service in cooperation with the state health departments, serves pregnant and nursing women, infants and children up to five years of age. To be eligible, applicants must be at "nutritional risk" because of poor or inadequate diet and low income.

Participants get monthly WEATHER SUMMARY (National Weather Service). Temperatures remained above normal over Mississippi during the week, with average daily temperatures 5 to 10 degrees higher than usual. The warmest reading reported was 82 at Vicksburg on the 23rd.

packages of baby formula or milk, cereal, eggs, cheese and juice.

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VA reports home loan changes

An increase from \$17,500 to \$25,000 as the maximum guaranty for Veterans Administration home loans is one of several important features of the "Veterans Housing Benefits Act of 1978," according to J.L. Dozier, Jackson VA assistant center director for Regional Office.

The legislation, which was signed on Oct. 18 by President Carter, also permits certain severely disabled veterans to obtain a VA grant of up to \$30,000 to buy or adapt a residence to meet their special needs, Dozier said.

VA grants for these so-called "wheelchair homes" were formerly limited to \$25,000.

Dozier pointed out that the new bill should be of special benefit to an estimated 168,000

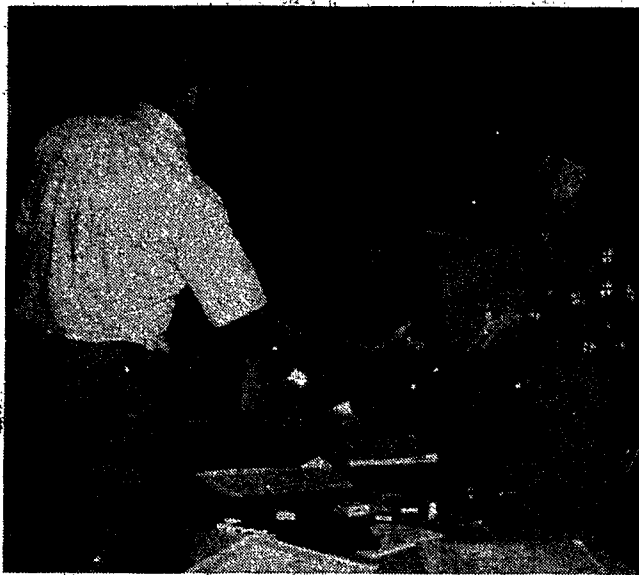
comment on the new formula which was published in the Federal Register Oct. 11. They can be mailed to Jen-

Vietnam Era veterans because it reduces the length of active duty service required for eligibility for VA home, condominium or mobile home loan guaranty benefits.

Vietnam Era veterans now need to have served only 90 days on active duty - one day of which must have been during the period between August 5, 1964 and May 7, 1975 - to be eligible for these VA benefits.

"The new law brings the eligibility requirements for Vietnam veterans in line with those for World War II and Korean Conflict veterans," Dozier said.

The legislation also permits VA to guarantee loans for energy-related home improvements, including installation of solar heating and cooling systems.



ACCEPTS AWARD - Tangel Lee accepts the 4-H Food-Nutrition Award from Bill Goodwin, Extension 4-H Youth Agent. This award is sponsored by Foley Industries, Inc. (Extension Service)



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4-H awards

The Annual 4-H Awards Night was held Nov. 20 in the Crew Room at Coast Electric Power Association. 4-H members, leaders and sponsors were recognized for their contribution and participation during the year.

Seventy eight individual 4-H members were presented awards for their outstanding project work. "I Dare You" Awards for leadership were presented to Tammy Bond and Carlos Cuevas.

Outstanding 4-H member awards were presented to Tangel Lee, Tammy Bond and Kim Ladner. These awards were sponsored by the Hancock County Farm Bureau and were presented by Felix Famularo.

Community Pride awards were presented to the Neccaise Crossing Club by Mr. Grady Ford of Chevron, U.S.A. Neccaise Crossing Club also received a Community Club award from Joe Davis of South Central Bell Telephone Company.

Twenty eight adult leaders were recognized for their volunteer leadership of the County 4-H Program. Together they contributed 101 years of service to 4-H.

Sponsors and donors recognized were Coast Electric Power Association, Hancock County Farm Bureau, The Branding Iron of Picayune, Chevron U.S.A., South Central Bell Telephone Company, and Foley, Incorporated.

Dozier said veterans may obtain complete details of the expanded loan guaranty program at any VA regional office.

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Farmers Home to offer rural health program

Rural areas lacking a primary health facilities could receive assistance in getting them through a new program of cooperation recently started by the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) and the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, according to Gilbert Montgomery, FmHA's district director for Hancock County.

Assistance is now available under a new cooperative agreement recently signed by Secretary of Agriculture Bob Bergland and Secretary of HEW Joseph Califano.

The program arose from the Carter Administration's concern with improving rural health.

This effort concentrates on creating more primary health care facilities, according to Mr. Montgomery.

It will be concerned with the construction, renovation, and improvement of health clinics, doctor's offices, and other facilities for maintaining and improving health.

The cooperative effort calls for FmHA to provide funds for structures to house health facilities. HEW will provide manpower to staff the facilities and provide operating capital over the term of the loan.

"Farmers Home has set aside \$25 million for this nationwide program this fiscal year," Montgomery said.

"Our local offices will receive special training in preparing applications for facilities which meet primary health care needs. These applications will be funded on a priority basis from loan funds held at the Washington headquarters," he added.

HEW officials estimate that nearly 300 primary health centers will receive assistance during the four years of the initial agreement. The FmHA-HEW agreement is part of a larger administration drive which also includes a Department of

Labor program to train disadvantaged rural residents as health support workers, such as nurses-aides, clinic clerks, health educators, and for other positions.

FmHA makes loans to local government agencies and non-profit institutions for the construction of community facilities, including health facilities, in towns with up to 10,000 population. The interest rate on these loans is five percent.

"Individuals or organizations interested in developing or improving primary health facilities in their communities should contact the FmHA district director serving their area," Montgomery said.

Offices are listed in local telephone directories under U.S. Government, Department of Agriculture, Farmers Home Administration. Anyone unable to locate the

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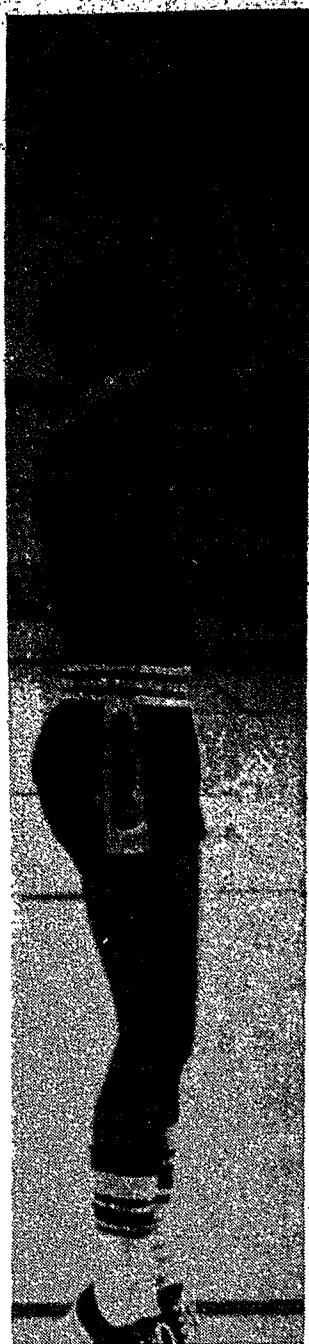
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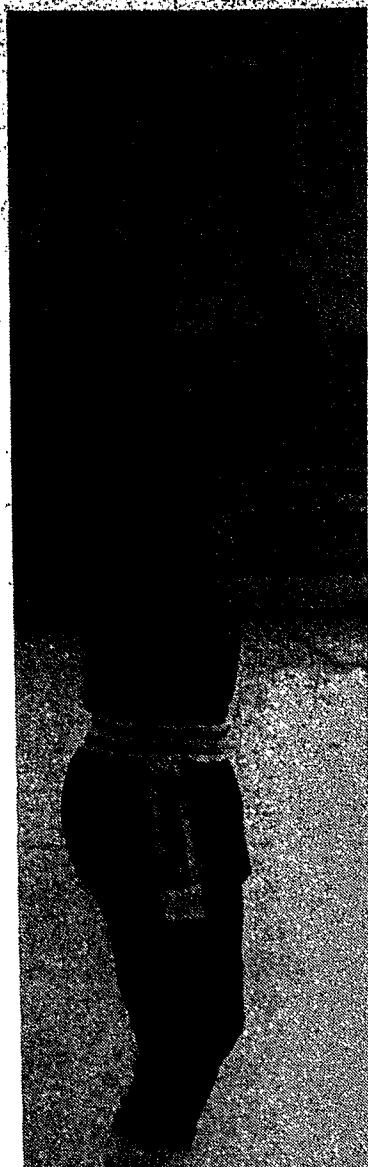
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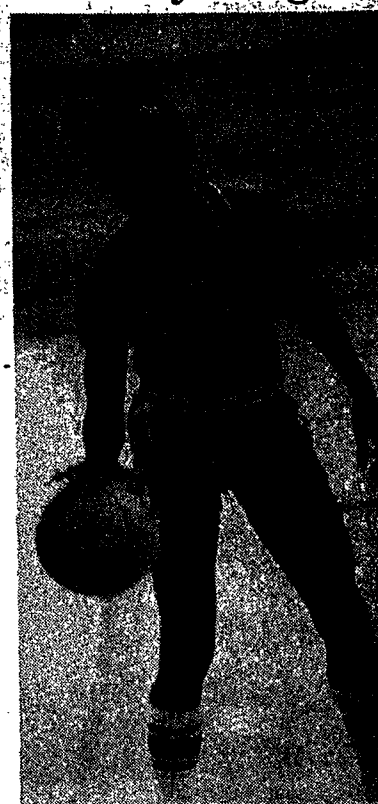
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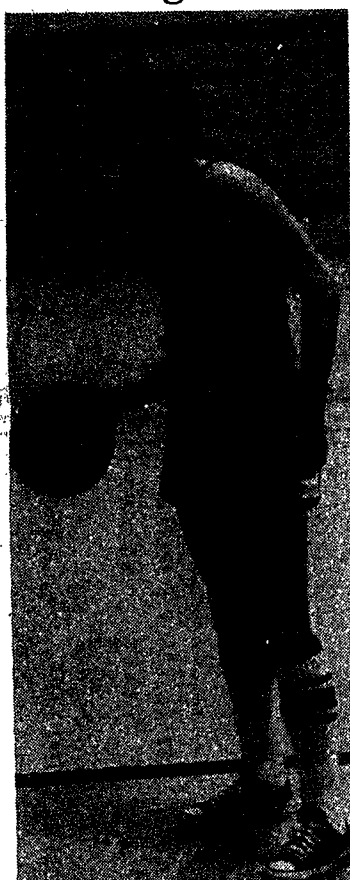
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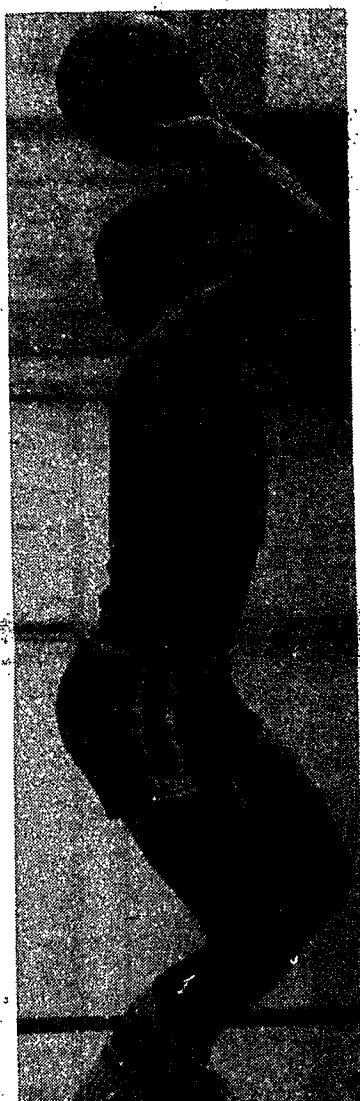
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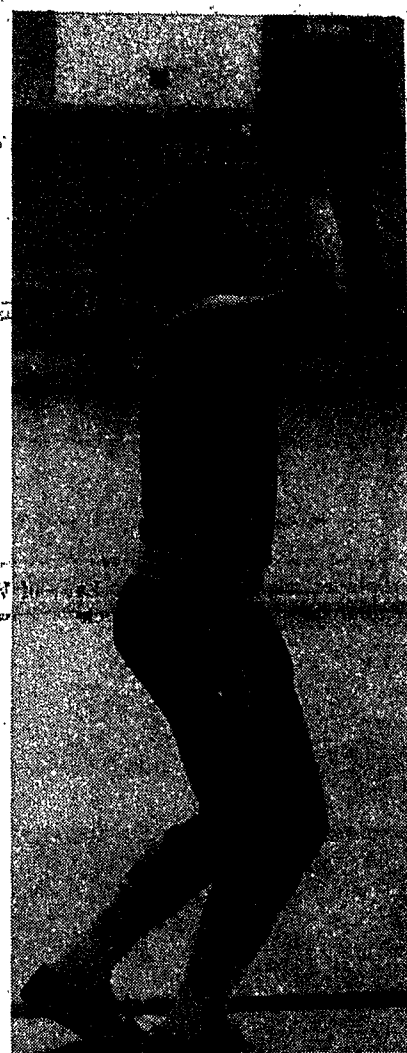
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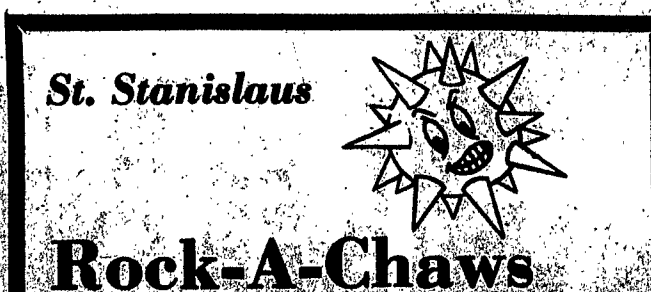
HANCOCK NORTH CENTRAL BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Dec. 5—Pass Christian.....H
Dec. 11—Stone.....A
Dec. 12—Terrebone Houma, La. (boys).....H
Dec. 12—McGill-Tollis (girls).....H
Dec. 16—Gulfport Prel. at Miss Gulf A
Dec. 21—O. Hill Academy, Va. Ocala, A
Dec. 22—Vanguard, Ocala, Fl.....A
Dec. 27-29—MGCJC Hol. Classic
Jan. 2-6—Harrison Central Inv. Tourney
Jan. 6—McGill-Tollis
Jan. 8—Long Beach.....A
Jan. 12—Pass Christian.....A
Jan. 13—Harrison Central.....A
Jan. 18-20—Bay St. Louis Inv. Tourney
Jan. 23—Long Beach.....H
Jan. 24—St. Charles-Destrial.....H
Jan. 30—Piquette.....A
Feb. 2—d'Iberville.....H
Feb. 3—Bay St. Louis.....H
Feb. 4-10—District Tournament



BAY ST. LOUIS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Dec. 5—Vanceave (JV).....A
Dec. 8—St. Martin (JV).....H (5:45 p.m.)
Dec. 9—Andrew Jackson (girls only).....A
Dec. 12—St. Stanislaus.....H (5:45 p.m.)
Dec. 12—Andrew Jackson (girls only).....H
Dec. 15—East Central (JV).....A
Dec. 16—Long Beach.....A
Jan. 5—St. John.....H
Jan. 9—St. John (JV).....H (5:45 p.m.)
Jan. 12—East Central (JV).....H (5:45 p.m.)
Jan. 16—St. Martin (JV, girls).....H
Jan. 17-20—Bay High Tournament
Jan. 22—Pascagoula (girls only).....H
Jan. 23—St. Stanislaus (JV, girls).....A
Jan. 24-27—PRC Tournament
Jan. 30—Pass Christian (JV).....H (5:45 p.m.)
Feb. 3—Hancock North Central.....A
Feb. 5-10—District 8 Tournament



ST. STANISLAUS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Dec. 4—Pearl River Central (JV).....H
Dec. 5—East Central (JV, OLA).....H
Dec. 7-9—Pearl River, La. Tournament
Dec. 12—Bay St. Louis (JV).....A
Dec. 16—Pearl River Central (JV).....A
Dec. 19—Pearl River, La. (JV).....H
Dec. 20—Notre Dame (JV).....H
Jan. 3—Notre Dame (JV).....H
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Jan. 16—Pass Christian (JV).....A
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Jan. 23—Bay St. Louis (JV, OLA).....H
Jan. 24-27—PRC Tournament
Jan. 29—OLV (OLA).....A
Jan. 30—St. Martin (JV).....A
Feb. 3—Biloxi (JV).....A
Feb. 5-10—District 8 AA Tournament



PASS CHRISTIAN BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Dec. 5—HNC (JV, girls).....A
Dec. 11—Notre Dame (JV).....H
Dec. 15—Stone (JV, girls).....A
Dec. 27-29—MGCJC Holiday Classic
Jan. 2—St. Martin (JV, girls).....H
Jan. 5—Vanceave (JV, girls).....H
Jan. 9—d'Iberville (girls).....H
Jan. 12—HNC (JV, girls).....H
Jan. 15—Poplarville (JV, girls).....A
Jan. 16—SSC (JV).....H
Jan. 17-20—Bay High Tournament
Jan. 22—Stone (JV, girls).....H
Jan. 24-27—PRC Tournament
Jan. 30—Bay High (JV, girls).....A
Feb. 1—Long Beach (JV, girls).....H
Feb. 7-11—District Eight Tournament

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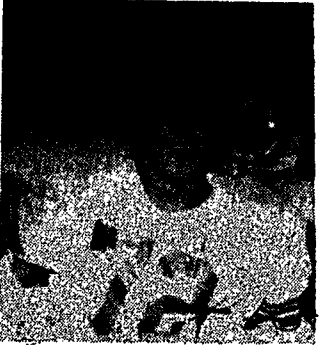
Only two in county

Storey, Ladner named on All-Star roster

By RICH ADAMS

Two Hancock North Central Hawks have been named to a 24-man Gulf Coast Burger King All-Star football team, the only two Hancock County football players receiving the honor.

Hawk head coach Irvin Favre said HNC runningback Greg Ladner and tackle Richard Storey were placed on the team Thursday.



RICHARD STOREY

Storey, a six-foot-three 230 pound senior at HNC, has been a three-year starter for the Hawks and was named best defensive tackle by the all-star committee.

He completed 84 solo tackles this year and had 72 assists, averaging 78 percent in offensive line blocking.

Ladner, one of four juniors named to the all-star squad, rushed for a total of 1,415 yards in 12 games this year.

The six-foot-one 165 pound junior was named outstanding halfback by the committee. He gained at least 100 yards in all but two games during the season.

"Both deserve the honor. They are the two finest players I have ever coached. They are competitors from the word go," said coach Favre.

"Storey is deciding on accepting a scholarship from Mississippi State University or the University of Southern Mississippi. He is such a hard worker, he only missed two of 80 regular season practices, and those two were because he was sick," he continued.

"Ladner is one of only four juniors on the all-star squad. The team is representative of players all along the Coast, including the Big Eight, Gulf Coast, Pascagoula River

conferences and independent schools," Favre added.



GREG LADNER

"Greg has had a super year as a junior. He accumulated 102 points on 135 carries. He rushed for a total of 1,415 yards. He is one of those Friday night players...he is not enthusiastic about practice, but who is. He gets on the field on Friday night and does a great job," Favre said.

"It has been a pleasure to coach these two. I can speak for my coaching staff as well...these boys will do a fine job representing the county and the school," Favre added.



LONGTIME SOCCER PLAYER AND OFFICIAL-Mr. Bill Hector, member of the Gulf Coast Youth Soccer Officials association goes over rules before a game between St. Stanislaus, right, and Our Lady of Victories Tuesday. A native of Scotland, Hector has been involved in soccer all of his life. "I like soccer because all of the 15 players on a team must play during a game. There are a total of 11 players on each side during a game and every player must play at least one half of the game. There are about 40 youth teams on the Mississippi Gulf Coast and

they play every Saturday at Milner stadium in Gulfport starting at 9 a.m. with games going on five fields at a time. I just moved back to Gulfport from Florida where soccer is real big because of a professional team in the area. I would like to see more schools get interested in soccer on the Gulf Coast. It is a fine sport and one in which any size boy or girl can participate," Hector is employed by PanAm at NSTL. (Staff photo-Ellis Cuevas).



MID-FIELD BATTLE-A St. Stanislaus soccer player, right, and an Our Lady of Victories' lineman chase the ball towards the OLV goal in soccer play in Rock-A-Chaw stadium Tuesday. (Staff photo-Ellis Cuevas)

Deer season dates released

The Mississippi Game and Fish Commission Tuesday released a list of all counties and wildlife management areas across the state that will be open to the public for hunting and antlerless deer (deer without horns) during the 1978-79 season. The bag limit on antlerless deer during any season is one per day, two per season, but not more than three per license year.

All areas of the state open to gun hunting for deer, except Alcorn, Humphreys, Tishomingo, and Sunflower counties, are open for hunters to take either-sex deer during the primitive weapons season which extends from December 2-13, 1978.

During this special season all state-operated wildlife areas open to deer hunting will also be open to the harvest of either-sex deer. Hunters using these sites should obtain a copy of that wildlife area's regulations from the Game and Fish Commission and be familiar with the regulations before hunting.

This year the Commission has set several special either-sex hunts on selected wildlife areas both during and after the regular deer hunting season. They include:

CHICKASAW WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA. A total of 500 permits will be issued. Names will be selected from cooperating hunters. No additional hunters will be allowed on the area that day. The date is January 26, 1979. Hunters must use rifles no smaller than .243. Shotguns with slugs permitted, but no buckshot allowed.

CHOCTAW WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA. A total of 500 permits will be issued. Names will be selected from cooperating hunters. No additional hunters will be allowed on the area that day. The hunting date is January 24, 1979. Shotguns with slugs only and rifles of .243 caliber and larger, and handguns .357 and larger for hunting.

SANDY CREEK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA. A total of 800 permits will be issued there with the

names selected from cooperating hunters. No other hunters allowed on the area that day. The date is January 22, 1979. Shotguns with slug or buckshot and rifles of not less than .243 or equivalent caliber for deer hunting.

MALMAISON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA. Registration and drawing for antlerless deer season will be conducted at Malmaison headquarters at 2:00 p.m., December 2, 1978. A total of 75 names will be drawn and permits issued for a one-day hunt to people 16 years of age or older. No additional hunters will be allowed on the area during the hunt on December 15, 1978.

Also during the regular gun season, either-sex deer may be taken in certain counties where permits are not required. However, these spots exclude all wildlife management areas.

Clarke; Grenada; Jasper; Lauderdale, that portion north of I-20 east of Highway 39 and that portion south of I-20 east of Highway 45; Wayne, that portion east of Highway 45 north of Highway 84; and Yalobusha. Hunting dates in these areas are from December 20-23, 1978.

Carroll, south of Highway 82; Montgomery; and Webster, west of Highway 9. The dates are December 20-28, 1978 and January 13-15, 1979.

Counties of Choctaw, that portion of Highway 12 and west of Highway 15; Kemper; Lowndes, all except that part east of Highway 45 and north of Highway 82; Noxubee; and Winston, that portion east of Highway 25 to its intersection of Highway 14 then north of Highway 14. Hunting will be on December 22, 23, 1978.

Counties of Adams; Amite; Claiborne, south of Highway 18 and west of Highway 661, excluding that land lying west of the main channel of the Mississippi River known as Yucatan Island; Copiah, west of Highway I-55 south of Highway 27 and south of Highway 18; Franklin; Jefferson; Lincoln, west of Highway I-55; Pike, west of Highway I-55; Warren, west of Highway 61, south of I-20 only; and Wilkinson. Hunts here will be on December 23 and December 30, 1978.

Coahoma, west of the west base of the main Mississippi River levee. Hunting from December 16-23, and December 26 through January 15, 1979.

Bolivar, west of Highway 1 and Washington, west of Highway 1, from December 16-23, and from December 26 through January 4, 1979.

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Ross Barnett reservoir open for commercial fishing

Commercial fishing is being allowed on Ross Barnett Reservoir above Jackson in hopes of removing some undesirable fish species and make sport fishing more attractive, according to a statement released Tuesday by Game and Fish Director Joe Stone.

Priority for participating in what is being called an experimental commercial fishing program between December 1, 1978 and February 28, 1979, is being given to residents in a five county area around the 33,000-acre lake.

In a letter to Pearl River Water Supply District Manager Charlie Moak,

Fisheries Chief Barry Freeman indicated that the reservoir's already low water level would concentrate the undesirable fish and make removal by commercial fishermen easier.

"Secondly, if drum, which competes with bluegill, shell crackers, young bass and crappie in their young stages and with bass and crappie in their older stages, continues without any pressure on it, the game fish populations will be seriously affected," the letter stated.

In an interview Tuesday Freeman indicated that a maximum of 300 commercial fishing permits would be sold for \$200 each, on a first-come,

first-served basis to residents of Hinds, Rankin, Madison, Scott and Leake counties that hold commercial fishing licenses.

"If the residents of these counties do not take up the full 300 permits, then the difference will be selected from residents of the state on the same basis. However, we are allowing only four commercial permits per person," Freeman said.

Applications for permits may be obtained from the Research Lab on Barnett Reservoir or by writing the Mississippi Game and Fish Commission, Fisheries Division, P.O. Box 451, Jackson, MS, 39205.

Tigers drop match against d'Iberville

By RICH ADAMS

The Bay High Tigers boys and girls basketball squads dropped a double-header against the d'Iberville Warriors Tuesday, the boys losing 67-50, the girls dropping the match 57-47.

High scorers for the Tigerettes in the opening game were Tammy Roboteau with 12 points and Karen Tillmar with 10.

In the second game, the thus far winless Tigers' leading scorer was Thomas Bailey with 16 points.

Ellis Saucier and Scott Ar-

derson followed in scoring with 10 points each.

Tiger coach Jerry Spell said his team is inexperienced and young, but is improving as the season progresses.

"Bailey is the only player I have returning from last year," Spell said.

"We have virtually no experience or height. We're young, and have to take it on the chin for right now, but we are improving from game to game," he added.

The Tigers have registered a 0-3 record this year.

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BRANDY MARIE HOLBROOK, being held by Ms. Cynthia Chatham, R.N. in the nursery of Gulfport Memorial Hospital, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Holbrook of White Cypress. She was born prematurely on September 19 and weighed only 2 pounds, 14 ounces. She is now weighing 5 pounds and three ounces, but due to difficulty with her breathing, she is still a patient of the hospital.

PBS to shoot Faulkner story in Oxford area

Cliff Finch this week reported selection of the Oxford area for filming of a William Faulkner story by Public Broadcasting System. "The movie industry is proving to be a great benefit to the State," said Governor Cliff Finch.

"Each movie leaves approximately 40 percent of its budget in the State and creates hundreds of jobs for our people," continued the governor.

"This is an industry which does not pollute or destroy the community; in fact it boosts the economy of the area almost instantly."

"The selection of the area is on the part of the studios, as well as ways to save money. And, the states have been bidding against each other for this multi-million dollar business, consequently we are pleased that once again Mississippi has been chosen for the setting of one of Faulkner's books," stated Gerry Cagle, director of the Mississippi Film Commission.

Oxford has been chosen as the natural setting for Faulkner's story "Barn Burning." A New York based company, "Learning in Focus," announced that filming will begin Dec. 4. The film will be made for PBS series entitled "American Short Story."

Cal Skaggs, producer said many parts will be cast locally. Directing the production will be Peter Werner with associate producer Ken Golden.

"It is like a tax rebate explained Cagle, when a production moves into a community and spends a sizeable amount of money."

SSC Band Boosters slate annual social

St. Stanislaus Band Boosters annual Christmas fund raising social to be held Monday, December 4, in Knights of Columbus Hall, Main Street, was the main topic of discussion at the group's meeting Monday night in Brother Romuald Band Hall.

Charles Staehle, president, who conducted the business session, said plans for the event were finalized and added door prizes were awarded throughout the evening.

Tickets for the event at \$1 are available from band members or Band Boosters. Davis Williams, band

Local C of C officers to attend state meeting

News Briefs

MMA ACTION PROGRAMS
The Mississippi Manufacturers Association will get its 1978-79 action programs under way with meetings of its committees from November 28 through December 14. All meetings will be held at the MMA headquarters in Jackson, according to MMA chairman Jim Carraway and MMA president John O'Keefe, head of the staff in Jackson.

Two members of the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce will travel to Jackson Dec. 12 to attend the second annual Legislative Conference sponsored by the Mississippi Association of Chamber of Commerce.

President Richard Thomas and Executive Secretary Jerry Benigno will represent the Hancock Chamber at the meeting.

Homemakers Club elects officers

EUDORA WELTY
Four Women Artists, featuring the art of our women from Mississippi, will be rebroadcast on the Mississippi ETV Network at 9:30 p.m. Thurs. December 7. The half-hour program, produced by the Center for Southern Folklore in Memphis, features novelist Eudora Welty of Jackson, quiltmaker Pecolia Warner of Yazoo City, embroiderer Ethel Mohamed of Belzoni and the late painter Theora Hamblett of Oxford.

Mrs. Tuleter Oliver was re-elected president of the New Idea Extension Homemakers Club at the November meeting held in the home of Mrs. Oliver.

Others named to office were Mrs. Marie Price, vice-president; Mrs. Helen Payne, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Amanda Sylvester, devotional and membership chairman.

Mrs. Carmen Montgomery, publicity; Mrs. Marie Price, citizenship; and Mrs. Verna Barabino, Health and education chairman.

Plans were made for the groups' covered dish Christmas party to be held Thursday, December 14. Following the business session a crochet workshop was held.

The conference will be held at the Holiday Inn Downtown and will cover four topics which relate to the upcoming 1979 legislative session and issues facing local chambers, according to MACCE President, Charleigh Ford of Brookhaven.

Speakers for the event will include Senator Con Maloney of Jackson, who will speak on the PER Committee, its Role in State and Local Government; Rep. Jim Simpson from Harrison County, who will speak on Taxes on Business; Natchez Mayor Tony Byrne, who will speak on Public citizenship; and Mrs. Verna Barabino, Health and education chairman.

Over 100 chamber executives and volunteers are expected to attend the conference.

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This Week

Compiled By Sandra Marquar

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SUNDAY

MORNING WORSHIP

The First Baptist Church, Christian Witness, Bay St. Louis, Morning Worship on Sundays at 11 a.m., Evening Worship at 7 p.m.

PENTACOSTAL

The First United Pentecostal Church will be in revival services beginning Sunday, December 3 - December 10, Aronold Street and Old Spanish Trail.

PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday December 3, Sunday School at 9:30, Communicants Class 9:30, Reception of Communicants and new members including adults 10:40, Morning Worship 11:00 a.m., Sermon today will be "Are We Playing God?"

MAIN STREET UMC

The Main Street United Methodist Church in Bay St. Louis holds Sunday services at 11 a.m. preceded by Sunday School at 10 a.m.

LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Lutheran Church of the Pines, Highway 90, Waveland, Sunday Worship Service, 9 a.m., Sunday School 10 a.m., each Sunday, Rev. John Helmers, Pastor.

BAPTIST SERVICES

The Bay St. Louis First Baptist Church conducts Sunday School Bible Study Hour at 9:45 a.m. and Morning Worship Hour at 11 a.m. Sundays at the church, Main Street.

SANTA CLAUS

Santa Claus is coming to town! Santa Claus will arrive on Sunday, December 3 at 4:30 p.m., on the Highway 90 service road at the foot of the Bay St. Louis bridge.

The Bay High Chorus will sing Christmas carols and at 5:15 p.m., Mayor Larry Bennett of Bay St. Louis, Waveland Mayor John Longo and Hancock County Board of Supervisors President Alton "Dolph" Kellar will perform the official lighting of the Christmas tree.

RELIGIOUS EDU.

Religious education programs will be conducted at Kiln Annunciation Catholic Church, and Fenton St. Joseph Catholic Church on Sundays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and at White Cypress Infant Jesus of Prague Catholic Church from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

MONDAY

JR. AUX.

The Bay-Waveland Junior Auxiliary will meet Monday, December 4, 9:30 a.m. at Gulf National Bank Civic Room.

VOL. FIRE

The West Hancock County Volunteer Fire Department will meet Monday, December 4, 7:30 at Pearlington Community Center.

FAIR AND LIVE

The Hancock County fair and Livestock Association will meet Monday, December 4, 7:30 at the Fairgrounds.

BOOSTERS

St. Stanislaus Band Boosters will hold a Christmas fund raising social at 7:30 p.m. Monday, December 4, in Knights of Columbus Hall, Main Street.

HIS. SOC.

The Hancock County Historical Society Board Meeting will be held at 5 p.m., Monday, December 4, in the Civic Room, at Gulf National Bank.

SUPERVISORS

The Hancock County Board of Supervisors will meet Monday, December 4, 9 a.m., at the Hancock County Courthouse.

HERO

The Hancock County Emergency Radio Organization (HERO) will meet Monday, December 4, 7:30 at St. Stanislaus College Library.

TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets at 6:30 p.m. Monday at Pass Christian Gulf National Bank.

TUESDAY

KILN V.F.W.

The Kiln V.F.W. Auxiliary No. 6285 will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Post Home.

PASS V.F.W.

The Pass Christian V.F.W. No. 5931 will hold a meeting Tuesday 8 p.m. at the Post Home, Pass Christian.

SENIOR PROGRAM

A senior citizens program entitled "Self Discovery through the Humanities" is conducted weekly at the City-County Library, US-90, Bay St. Louis at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday.

Fraternal, civic, social, religious, political, athletic, educational, governmental, organizations are invited to

'THE BIBLE'

Adult religious education program on discovering 'The Bible' will be conducted by Father Walsh and Sister Josepha at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Kiln Annunciation and by brother Bittner at white Cypress Infant Jesus of Prague at 10 a.m.

SIDELINE CLUB

The Sideline Club will meet today 8 p.m. at the Saint Stanislaus Cafeteria.

P.C. ROTARY

The Pass Christian Rotary will meet Tuesday, December 5, 12 noon at Annie's Restaurant.

submit information on their meetings and other events to This Week, Sea Coast Echo, Box 230, Bay St. Louis, 39520

BIBLE AND PRAYER

The Jesus Is The Answer Center holds Bible study and prayer meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday and Saturday at the church.

WEIGHT WATCHERS

The Weight Watchers meet every Tuesday, 6 p.m., Main Street Methodist Church. \$10.00 to join and \$4.00 a week. Millie McBride Lecturer.

YACHT CLUB

The Bay-Waveland Yacht Club Auxiliary regular meeting will be Tuesday, December 5, 10:30 a.m., at the Yacht Club.

WAVELAND

The Waveland City Council will meet Tuesday, December 5, 7:30 p.m. at the Waveland City Hall.

TUESDAY

AMER. LEG.

The Waveland American Legion Auxiliary 77 will meet 7:30, Tuesday, December 5, on Coleman Avenue.

DAVA

The Disabled American Veterans Association will meet Tuesday, December 5, 7:30 at the DAVA Hall, Main Street.

ALTAR SOC.

The St. Ann Altar Society will meet Tuesday, December 5, 7:30 at St. Ann Parish Hall.

LITTLE THEATRE

The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre will meet Tuesday, December 5, 8 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce.

B.S.L. COUNCIL

The Bay St. Louis City Council will meet Tuesday, December 5, 7:00 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis City Hall.

WEDNESDAY

OVEREATERS

Overeaters Anonymous meets 7 p.m. Wednesday at St. Augustine Seminary, US-90, Bay St. Louis.

BSL JAYCEES

The Bay St. Louis Jaycees meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at the Gulf National Bank Conference Room, US-90.

CYO

The Bay St. Louis Catholic Youth Organization meeting is each Wednesday, 7 p.m. at the OLG CYO Room.

'THE BIBLE'

Adult religious education program on discovering 'The Bible' will be conducted by Father Hissey at white Cypress Infant Jesus of Prague and by Father Walsh and Sister Josepha at Kiln Annunciation at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

AMER. LEG.

The Waveland American Legion unit 77 will meet Wednesday, December 6, 7:30 on Coleman Avenue.

CHOIR

Our Lady of the Gulf Choir practice is held each Wednesday, 7:30, at the church.

THURSDAY

ROSARY

The Rosary is said every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the outdoor Shrine of A.C. Mercier at 115 Bay Oaks Dr. Everyone is invited.

PRAYER GROUP

The Charismatic prayer group meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in St. Augustine Seminary cafeteria.

CIVIC ASSOC.

Waveland Civic Association meets Thursday, 8:30 p.m. at Trapani's Knock-Knock, US-90, Waveland.

HANCOCK KIWANIS

The South Hancock County Kiwanis Club meets at 7 p.m. Thursdays at Gulf National Bank Civic Room.

RELIGIOUS STUDY

Annunciation Catholic Church, Kiln, conducts Bible study classes at 10 a.m. and adult instructions in faith at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at the church.

EXERCISE CLASS

The Buccaneer State Park offers Ladies Exercise Classes, 7-8 p.m., Monday and Thursday in the recreation hall. Bring mat for floor exercises and wear tennis shoes and comfortable clothes.

AMER. LEG.

The Bay St. Louis, American Legion 139, executive meeting will be Thursday, December 7, 8 p.m. at the American Legion Home.

EXT. HOME

The Hancock County Extension Home Club Council and Leader Training will meet Thursday, December 7, 12:30 at the Agricultural Center.

HANDCRAFTERS

Clermont Handcrafters will hold its annual luncheon and Christmas party at noon Thursday, December 7, at Scafield's Wheel Inn Restaurant.

FRIDAY

MOVIES

The Buccaneer State Park offers movies on Fridays, 8:30 p.m., in the recreation hall.

SATURDAY

KILN WATER DISTRICT

The Kiln Fire and Water Protection District will have a representative receiving memberships in the district from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays at the Kiln Fire Station.

BUCCANEER STATE PARK

Buccaneer State Park offers free movies for campers and Bay-Waveland residents Fridays starting at 8:30 p.m.

Coming Events

AARP

The American Association of Retired Persons will meet Monday, December 18, 10 a.m. at the Waveland Civic Center. K O F C

The Knights of Columbus 1522 will meet Monday, December 18, 7:30 at the Knight of Columbus Hall.

BUSY FINGERS

The Extension Home Club Busy Fingers will meet Tuesday, December 19, 9:45 at the Agricultural Building.

VFW

The Veterans of Foreign War Auxiliary, Kiln 6285 will meet Tuesday, December 19, 7:30 at the Post Home.

BOOK MINISTRY

The First Presbyterian Church of Bay St. Louis opens its Book Ministry store featuring books, pamphlets and study materials below retail cost on a variety of interests including biography, Christian growth, personal bible studies, children's stories, maps and greetings from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. Wednesdays; 10 a.m. to 12 Saturdays, and 9 to 9:25 a.m. and 12:05 to 1 p.m. Sundays in the church building, 114 Ulman Ave. For more information call Barbara Kinnebrew, 467-3968.

PARADE

The Diamondhead Christmas "Festival of Lights" Boat parade will be held Saturday, December 16, 7 p.m. Christmas party will follow.

EASTERN STAR

The Eastern Star will meet Thursday, December 14, 7:30 at the Masonic Temple.

LUNCHEON

The St. Clare monthly luncheon will be Wednesday, December 13, 12:30 at the Parish Hall.

LIBRARY

The Board of Directors of City-County Library, will meet Monday, December 11, 8 p.m., at the Library.

VFW

The Bay St. Louis Veterans of Foreign War will meet Wednesday, December 13, 8 p.m. at the VFW Hall.

GUARD AUX.

The Pass Christian Coast Guard Auxiliary will meet Saturday, December 16, 6:30 at the Beach.

MARTHA GUILD

The Martha Guild of Trinity Episcopal Church meets at 10:30 a.m. today, Thursday, at the church.

STORY HOUR

Children's Story Hour is held at 10 a.m. Thursdays at the City-County Library, US-90, Bay St. Louis.

HOS. AUX.

The Hancock County General Hospital Auxiliary will meet Thursday, December 7, 10 a.m. at the Hospital Conference Room.

ALTAR GUILD

The Our Lady of the Gulf Altar Guild will meet Thursday, December 7, 8:15 at the church rectory.

LITTLE THEATRE

The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre will present a three-act drama "And Miss Reardon Drinks A Little" December 7, 8 and 9, 8:15 p.m. each night at the Little Theatre Playhouse on Boardman Avenue.

HOMEMAKERS

The Hancock County Extension Homemakers Council will hold its annual salad luncheon and installation of officers for the coming year at noon Thursday, December 7, in extension auditorium.

Mrs. Raygene Dunlap, District Leader, Home Economic programs of Hattiesburg, will install the new officers.

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VFW

The Pass Christian Veterans of Foreign War 5931 will meet Tuesday, December 19, 8 p.m. at the Post Home.

SHRINE CLUB

The Gulf Coast Shrine Club will meet Wednesday, December 20, 7:30 at Masonic Temple.

HIS. SOC.

The Hancock County Historical Society regular meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m., Monday, December 18, in the Civic Room, Gulf National Bank.

SR. CIT.

The Waveland Senior Citizens will meet Monday, December 11, 10 a.m. at the Civic Center.

VFW

The Veteran of Foreign Wars, Pass Christian 5931, will meet Thursday, December 14, 7:30 at the Post Home.

GARDEN CLUB

The Bay-Waveland Garden Club will meet Thursday, December 14, 12 noon at Buccaneer Park.

P.C. SOC.

The Pass Christian Historical Society will meet Monday, December 11, 8 p.m. at the Library.

P.T.O.

The North Bay Parent Teacher Organization will meet Tuesday, December 12, 7:30 at the North Bay Cafeteria.

VOL. FIRE

The Henderson Point-Pass Christian Volunteer fire Department Auxiliary will meet Tuesday, December 12, 7 p.m. at the Fire House.

COAST GUARD

The Coast Guard Flotilla 33, will meet Friday, December 15, 7:30 at Diamondhead.

AMER. LEG.

Bay St. Louis American Legion 139 regular meeting will be Thursday, December 14, 8 p.m., at the Legion Home.

VFW

The Veterans of Foreign War Auxiliary 3253 will meet Wednesday, December 13, 8 p.m. at the VFW Hall.

MARTHA GUILD

Martha Guild will meet Thursday, December 14, 10:30 at Trinity Episcopal Church.

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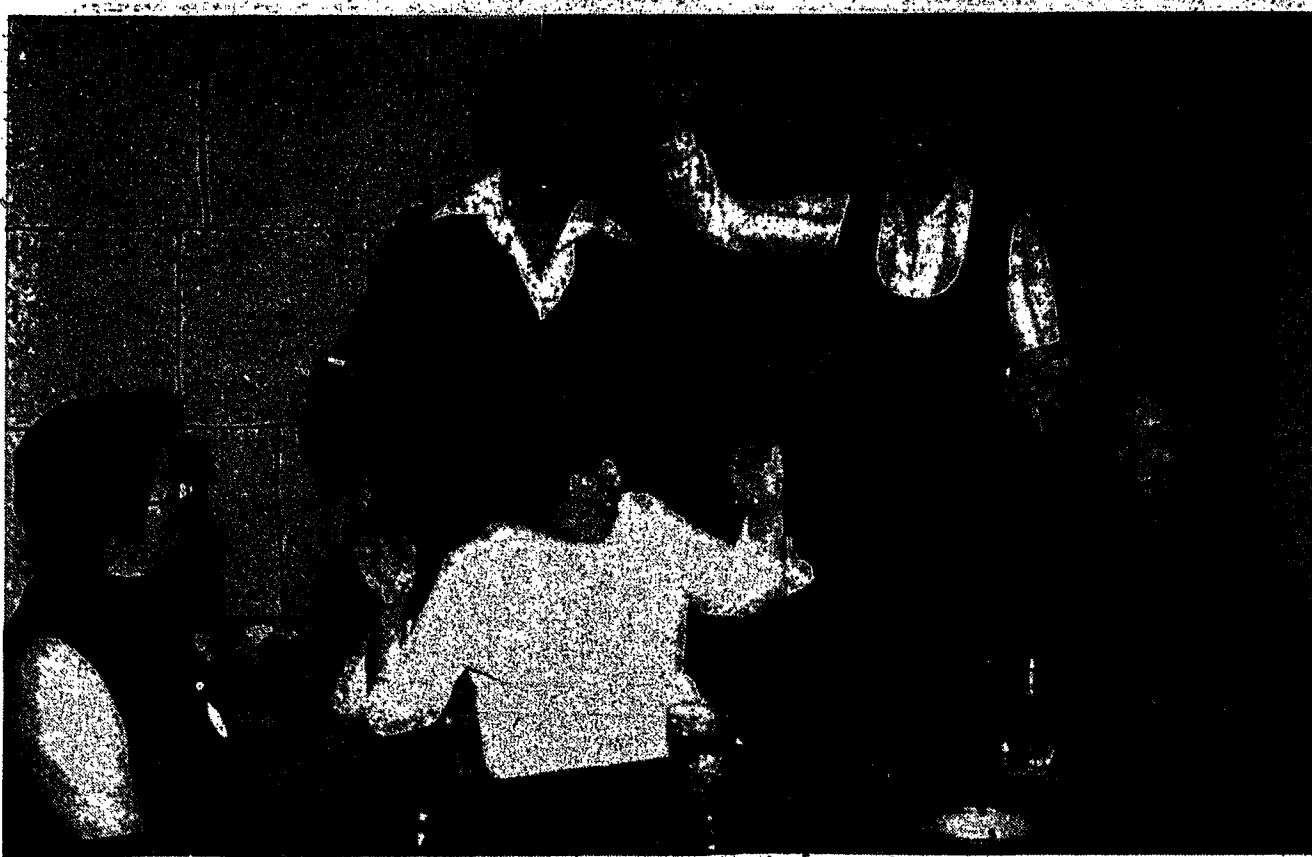
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THREE-ACT DRAMA - Dago and Becky Rotundo are included in the cast of 'And Miss Reardon Drinks A Little' which opens with an 8:15 p.m. curtain Thursday at the Bay St. Louis Little

Theater Playhouse on Boardman Avenue. The production will run each night through Saturday. (Photo courtesy Bay Little Theater)

Bay Little Theatre presents 'Miss Reardon Drinks A Little'

The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre will present a three-act drama entitled "And Miss Reardon Drinks A Little" Dec. 7, 8, and 9.

Possibly the fastest production ever to be presented at the Little Theatre with only three weeks rehearsal, "And Miss Reardon Drinks A Little", evolves around three sisters, one an alcoholic, one a self-centered snob, and one who is hopelessly losing her mind. This play was first presented at the Morosco Theatre in New York City Feb. 25, 1971.

"I can promise you that this play will be a very effective and powerful drama," said Hansel Bafter, producer.

The cast includes Alice Holmes, Sherry Schwabacher, Golde Lister, Mike Cuevas, Gary Byrd, Becky Rotundo, Dago Rotundo.

Curtain will be at 8:15 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, at the Little Theatre Playhouse on Boardman Avenue.



THREE SISTERS - Alice Holmes, left; Golde Lister, center; and Mike Cuevas rehearse their roles as three sisters in the Bay St. Louis Little Theater production of 'And Miss Reardon Drinks A Little' opening Thursday at 8:15 p.m. at the group's playhouse on Boardman Avenue. Repeat performances are also slated for 8:15 p.m. curtains Friday and Saturday. (Photo courtesy of Bay Little Theater)

A Review

Elvis impersonator enthalls Bay fans

By GERI MILLS

The music of Elvis Presley lived on in Bay St. Louis Thursday for a large crowd which turned out at a Bay St. Louis Police Department benefit concert starring Charlie Raye in his "Tribute to Elvis."

"As long as people want to hear Presley's music, I'll just keep on singing it - I'm not trying to be Elvis, I'm just singing his music," Raye said.

Raye's manager and backup singer Benjamin J. Smith commented, "Elvis' music should be passed on to younger generations so they may inherit this legacy. After all, Elvis' music is the roots of rock and roll."

The legacy was passed on at the National Guard Armory Thursday night to a crowd ranging from toddlers to grandparents.

Judging by the clapping, stomping and whistling, the show should be considered nothing less than a success.

The performance opened with the Lincoln County group who played such favorites as "Higher and Higher" and "Maria".

Comedy was interspersed between songs making for a creative and original act.

Then came a drum roll and the strains of "2001: A Space Odyssey," Elvis' traditional entrance music as Charlie Raye made his entrance wearing a white fringed jumpsuit.

Included in his numbers were "Suspicious Minds," "Proud Mary" and a medley of Elvis hits during which he passed out scarves and kisses to the ladies of the audience.

For a finale he sang "Dixie," causing the audience to rise from their seats and stand for the duration of the song.

The first member of the audience to receive a scarf and... a kiss, Mrs. Judy Bergeron of Waveland, said, "The show was fantastic. I only wish more people could have seen it. It was very good and certainly worth every

penny."

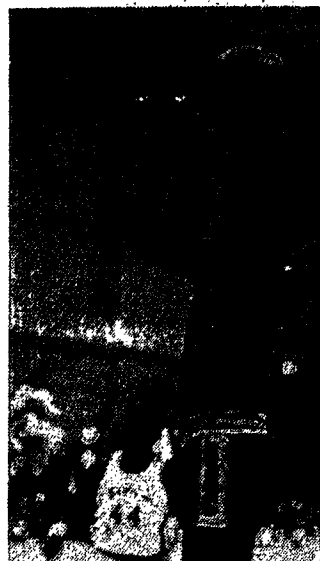
Bay St. Louis Assistant Police Chief Frank Hess, event chairman, was pleased with the turnout. Proceeds from the concert will be used in part for equipment not supplied to the department by the City of Bay St. Louis.

Bay Police Chief Douglas Williams reported the show netted \$375, estimating attendance at 175 to 180 people.

Williams said the police department would donate \$100 of the profit from the show to the "Jaws of Life" fund drive currently being conducted by the Hancock County Fireman's Association.

The other \$275, the chief says, will go to improve the police department sitting room.

Chief Williams expressed gratitude for the volunteers who helped make the concert a success, among them Assistant Chief Hess and his wife Carol; Larry Ladner; Lily Bermond; Tony Lanford; Dave Sellier; Gewnoyin Frederick; and Hancock County Sheriff's Deputies Dennis Lynch and James Lee. "Much can be accomplished if we work together and people lend a hand to improve the city of Bay St. Louis," Chief Williams added.



JUMP SHOT-Rock-A-Chaw Chuckie Vincent, No. 20, shoots for two points. Vincent scored 10 points in the game. (Staff photo-Ellis Cuevas)

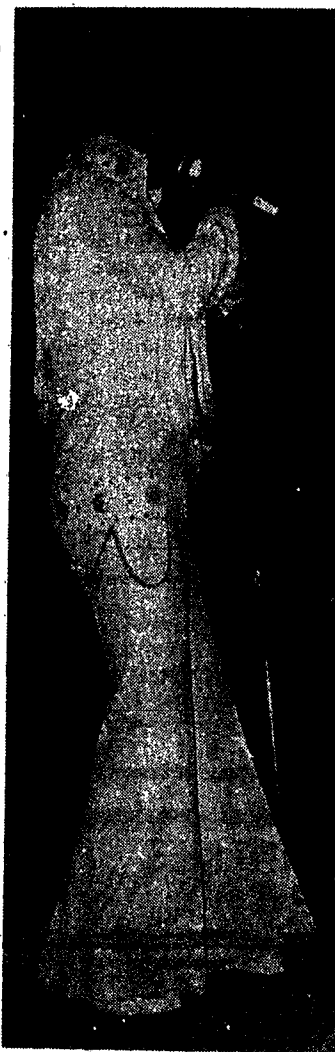
NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING

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1979 FUNDING

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This public hearing will be conducted to receive citizen input on the type of project for which Bay St. Louis will prepare its 1979 pre-application. At the time of the public hearing those people attending will be provided with a list of the activities which are eligible for funding under this program. A list of these activities may also be obtained at City Hall December 11th through December 15th. The funds available to Bay St. Louis for the fiscal year are \$356,000 for the Comprehensive Program and \$799,000 for the Single Purpose Program. It should be noted that pre-applications from the State will exceed the amount of funds available and, therefore, submission of a Community Development application is no guarantee of funding. Citizen input is critical in this stage and enough emphasis cannot be placed upon obtaining public opinion. Not only the public but all interested agencies are urged to attend and make any comments or suggestions that they feel vital to this program.



CHARLIE RAYE

OBITUARIES

FRANCIS BLACKWELL

Mr. Francis Blackwell, father of Zach Blackwell and Mrs. Myrtle E. Books of Bay St. Louis died Tuesday, Nov. 28, 1978 in Hayward Calif.

Mr. Blackwell, 63, was buried Saturday at Covaline Cemetery in Harrison County. Mr. Blackwell, a native of Gulfport, was a retired machinist.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Elsie Blackwell of Hayward; a stepson, Vernon Bond of Fort Walton Beach Fla.; Zach Blackwell, five daughters, Mrs. Norma Jean Seals of Texas, Mrs. Thelma Ladner of Poplarville, Mrs. Caroline Warden of Hattiesburg, Mrs. Frances Lucy Bond of Perkinston and Mrs. Myrtle E. Books; a brother, Hubert Blackwell of Gulfport; four sisters, Mrs. Alice Breafield, Mrs. Hazel Flowers, Mrs. Clonie Warden and Mrs. Della Mc Daniels, all of Gulfport; 15 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

BENJAMIN BRADLEY

The visitation for Benjamin Bradley at the Mount Zion Methodist Church in DeLisle. Burial followed in St. Stephen's Cemetery in DeLisle.

Mr. Bradley, a lifelong resident of DeLisle, died Wednesday, Nov. 28, 1978, at the age of 69.

He was a member of Mount Zion Methodist Church and the son of the late Artas and Ellen Bradley.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Luella Bradley; a son, Otis Bradley; two daughters, Mrs. Geraldine Swanner and Mrs. Ethel Dedeaux, all of DeLisle; four brothers, Curtis Bradley of Pensacola, Fla. Joseph, Lester and James, all of DeLisle; 23 grandchildren; and five great grandchildren. J. T. Hall Funeral Home in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

MARUERIETE HAMMONS

Services for Mrs. Margueriete Hammons, 81, were conducted Friday at 10 a.m. at Riemann's Long Beach Chapel, followed by burial in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Mrs. Hammons, widow of Percy Hammons and a resident of 826 East Railroad St., Long Beach, died Monday, Nov. 27, 1978 in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Born in Louisville, Ky., she had resided on the Coast since 1940.

She was a member of St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church in Gulfport and a member of the Long Beach Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

MRS. EUNICE MCCARTY

Mrs. Eunice Neno McCarty, 86, whose made her home with her nephew and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Simpson Sr., at 206 Edward Drive, Pass Christian, died Wednesday, Nov. 28, 1978. Burial was Thursday at the Evergreen Cemetery in Gulfport.

Mrs. McCarty, widow of Vincent M. McCarty, was a retired secretary for the division manager of the Mississippi Power Company.

Born in Mobile, Ala., she had resided on the Coast since early childhood and was a Catholic. She was a former member of the Long Beach Garden Club and Gulfport Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

Mrs. McCarty is survived by several nieces and nephews. The funeral was conducted Thursday at the Lang Funeral Home in Gulfport.

MRS. LOULA SPENCE
A graveside service for Mrs. Loula Davis Spence was held Wednesday at 4 p.m. in the Live Oak Cemetery at Pass Christian.

Mrs. Spence, 82, widow of Ernest N. Spence Sr., died Tuesday, Nov. 28, 1978 at her home on DeMontuozin Street in Bay St. Louis.

Born in Birmingham, Ala.,

she had resided in Hancock County for forty years and was a member of Christ Episcopal Church in Bay St. Louis.

She is survived by two sons, Ernest N. Spence Jr. and Carl D. Spence, both of Bay St. Louis; a brother, Walker Davis of Birmingham; and one grandchild. Mrs. Spence was preceded in death by a son, Jack H. Spence, two brothers, Tom Davis and V. O. Davis and her sister, Mrs. Jettie Hutchinson.

Edmund Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of services.

BEN SIMMONS SR.

The funeral for Ben Simmons Sr. was Thursday at Riemann's Long Beach Chapel, followed by burial in the Long Beach Chapel, followed by burial in the Long Beach Cemetery.

Mr. Simmons, a retired station agent at Long Beach

for the Louisville and Nashville Railroad and a resident of 1216 1/2 7th., Long Beach, died Tuesday, Nov. 28, 1978 at the age of 90.

Born in New Orleans, he was a member of the Long Beach Presbyterian Church and the Southern Star Masonic Lodge, No. 500, F&AM, Long Beach.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Anne E. Simmons of Long Beach; three sons, Ben Simmons and William Donald Simmons, both of Long Beach; a daughter, Mrs. William G. (Anne) Cook Jr. of Jackson; three brothers, Thomas Roger Simmons of Augusta, Ga., Frank Simmons of Mobile, Ala., and John E. Simmons.

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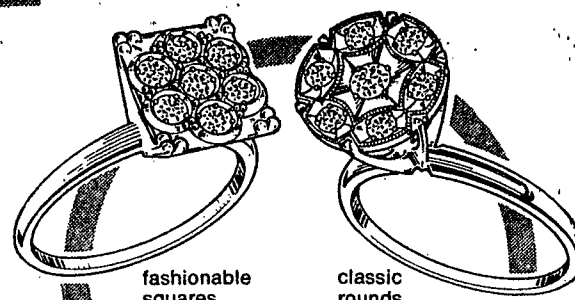
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ISAIAH 9:6



'Merry Christmas' is said many ways

Our modern jet age reduces long-distance miles to minutes and it is not uncommon to hear of someone having breakfast in Paris and dinner in Rome.

One can be assured, moreover, that anywhere you go in the Christian world, the spirit of Christmas exists. Holiday greet-

ings, when offered with sincerity, are understood instantly, no matter what the language.

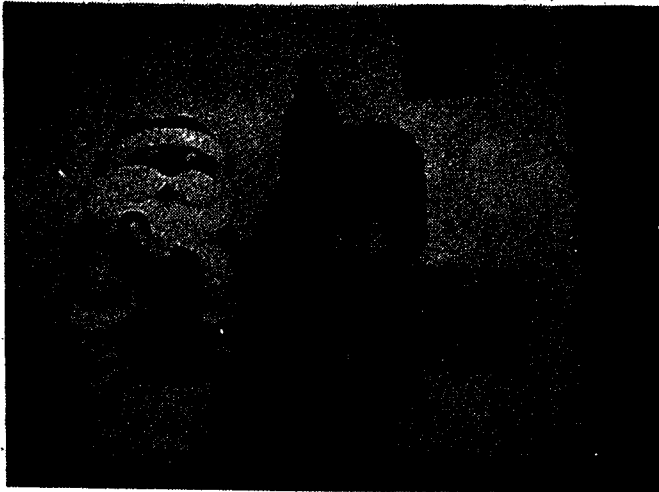
Here are a few ways to say "Merry Christmas" to individuals in foreign lands: Bohemia, *Vesele Vánoce*; Bulgaria, *Chestita Kòleda*; Croatia, *Sretan Božić*; Denmark, *Glædelig Júl*; Wales,

Nadolig Llawen; Ukraina, *Sròzhdesivom Krisovym*; Spanish-speaking countries, *Feliz Navidad*; Portuguese-speaking countries, (Portugal and Brazil) *Boas Festas*; Poland, *Weselych Swiat*; Italy, *Buon Natale*; Germany, *Fröhliche Weihnachten*; France, *Joyeux Noël*; Ireland, *Nollaig Mhaith Chugnat*.

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CHRISTMAS PREPARATIONS—Angela Summers puts finishing touches on a Christmas bulletin board display at Bay Catholic Elementary School. The kindergarten class decorated the room with Christmas cut-outs and made red and green paper chains. (Staff photo-Rich Adams)

HOLIDAY CUSTOMS 'ROUND THE WORLD

The joy that pervades the Christmas season throughout the world is evident in beautiful ethnic customs.

Sweden's Christmas season begins December 13th, the feast of St. Lucy. A young girl dresses as the beloved patron, with a crown of candles upon her head. A festive breakfast of cake and coffee is served and signals the start of the holiday season.

The French and French Canadians largely continue the practice of attending Midnight Mass. The service is followed by an elaborate supper with family at home.

Christmas Eve's first star indicates the time to begin the customary holiday meal, or Wilia. The elaborate dinner, breaking a pre-Christmas fast, is served in the midst of a straw-filled room. An empty place is kept at this manger-like setting, for the Christ Child.

Italians recreate the nativity scene in homes and churches with a "Pre-asepio." The colorful tableaux depicting the manger



scene, is set in a place of honor during the holidays.

Norwegians create a special "Christmas Tree," gleaned from a shaft of grain and bound to the top of a pole. This gleaning tradition remembers birds in a special way. Cattle are also remembered at this time with special fodder.

The meaning and joy of Christmas survives today through these treasured customs. These rituals serve as a constant reminder that there is no other celebration as wonderful as Christmas!

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Legend of the holly

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Early Europeans believed holly repelled all evil spirits and was a protection against lightning. In parts of England, it was considered unlucky to leave holly in

your home after New Year's Eve. Others believed, to ward off misfortune, holly must be removed before Shrove Tuesday and burned in the same fire in which pancakes were then baked.

A popular superstition followed that prickly hollies were present in homes where husbands were in command. If smooth-leaved hollies decorated the home, the wife dominated.

In more modern times, holly leaves and bark were used to cure various ailments.

American Indians brewed holly tea to restore good appetites and keep warriors healthy in battle. Indian women wore sprigs of holly during childbirth to ease pain and assure delivery of a healthy infant.

Dahoon holly was particularly used by American settlers in North Carolina to purify swamp water.

Historians consider legends of the past to be the beginning of the present-day symbol of good will, the beautiful Christmas holly.

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One night, many hundreds of years ago, a little shepherd boy was feeling sorry for himself.

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Usually the boy's older brother went out in the evenings with the father; the younger boy had the much more pleasant task of tending the herd during the day. Then it was fun — he could run and play with the other shepherd boys or tell stories of marvelous deeds.

But, tonight the older brother was away on a visit and so the little shepherd boy had been called upon to fill in for his brother.

"Tending the flock at night is no fun at all," the young boy thought to himself as he drew nearer the fire to warm his hands. Besides, he was sleepy! By now he would have been sound asleep in his own bed at home, with his dog curled at the foot of the bed. As it was, he felt very sorry for himself, indeed.

The boy looked up at the stars, trying to remember all the names his father had taught him. He saw that one star was especially bright and thought, "I've never noticed that one before!" He called to his father, further down the slope. "What is the name of that star?" The boy's father looked toward the heavens and stood, gaz-

ing, for many moments before he called to other shepherds at the edge of the flock. They were all puzzled by the appearance of the bright star and the little boy felt as though he had made a discovery. From time to time, he would look up from his father's flock to gaze at the star.

It was getting harder and harder to stay awake, however, and before long the boy was startled by a shout from one of the shepherds. The man pointed toward the heavens, where a dazzling light met their gaze. That light now became an angel before their astonished eyes!

The little shepherd was filled with fear . . . he had never heard of such a thing, much less seen it! Even the boy's father and the other shepherds were afraid. But, the angel reassured them. "Be not afraid," it said. "For behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." And the angel told the awestruck shepherds that they would find the Babe in a manger, wrapped in swaddling cloths.

Then, an even more wonderful sight — suddenly, there were hundreds of angels singing, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased!"

Then, as suddenly as they had appeared, the host of angels were gone. The shepherds stood there, dazed. At last, one of them spoke:



"Let us go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." The others quickly agreed and set about toward the town of Bethlehem.

No longer sleepy, the little shepherd ran to keep pace with his father and the other shepherds. Cold and sleepiness were all forgotten as he helped to hurry the flocks down toward the little town. At last they came to the cave sheltering the newborn Babe.

The shepherds entered that humble cave as though it were a splendid temple, and the little shepherd boy did not have to be told to kneel when he saw the Infant, wrapped in strips of cloths and lying in a manger, just as the angel had told them. How beautiful the Babe was! How young the mother, smiling

so tenderly at her Child. How devoted her husband, looking after the mother and the tiny Infant.

Speechless at first, the shepherds began to talk all at once, describing to Mary and Joseph the vision of the angels. Only the little shepherd boy was quiet, gazing all the while at the Infant Jesus.

Later on, he would tell his friends all about it. They would listen to the story of the angels and the Babe in the manger over and over, and never tire of hearing it.

And the little shepherd boy would never tire of telling that story . . . and he would never, ever feel sorry for himself again!

A Holiday quiz for youngsters

Do you have the "Christmas Spirit?"

Here's a Merry Christmas quiz! Fill in the blank spaces with the letters needed to spell the answer to each question. Compare your answers to those below to find your score.

1. Frosty the _____
2. Green leaves in a circular shape: _____
3. Jesus was born in the town of _____
4. Santa lives at the Pole. _____
5. Rudolph, the Red-Nosed _____
6. You find these under tree: _____
7. Small white crystals of frozen water are _____
8. _____ to the World!
9. A heavenly creature with wings: _____
10. The Holy Child's mother, _____

SCORE

10 to 7 correct — Full of Christmas joy!

4 to 6 correct — Fairly "Merry."

1 to 3 correct — Needs more Christmas spirit!

10. Mary.
Snow. 8. Joy. 9. Angel.
5. Reindeer. 6. Gifts.
7. Bethlehem. 4. North.
1. Snowman. 2. Wreath.

ANSWERS



Deck the hall with boughs of holly,

Fa la la la la, la la la la!

'Tis the season to be jolly,

Fa la la la la, la la la la!

Don we now our gay apparel;

Fa la la la la la la!

Troll the ancient Yuletide carol,

Fa la la la la, la la la la!

See the blazing Yule before us,

Fa la la la la, la la la la!

Strike the harp and join the chorus,

Fa la la la la, la la la la!

Follow me in merry measure,

Fa la la la la la la!

While I tell of Yuletide treasure,

Fa la la la la, la la la la!

The Christmas Tree

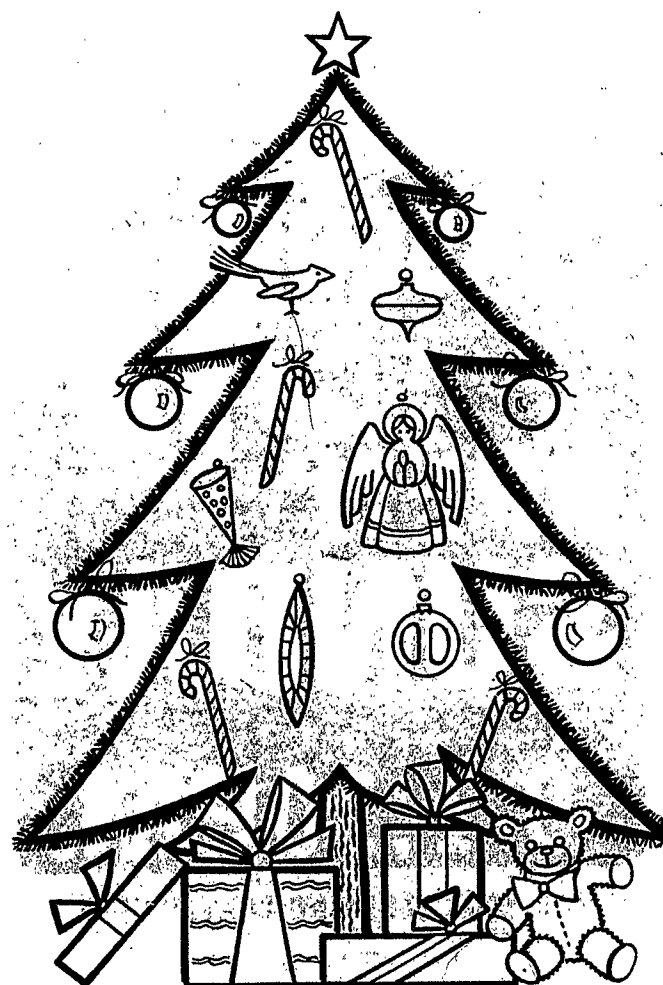
In Germany, the *Tannenbaum*, or Christmas tree, is decorated with hand-carved toys amidst great secrecy. On Christmas Eve, lighted candles are placed on the tree, to the delight of youngsters.

In Poland, lighted candles are also traditional on the Christmas tree, along with brightly colored paper ornaments.

Don't Open Until January 6th

In many countries, Christmas celebrating continues until January 6th, which is known as Twelfth Night, the feast of the Epiphany or Three Kings' Day.

Because this is traditionally the day that the Wise Men presented their gifts to the Christ Child, many countries exchange their gifts at this time.



Kids! Color the Christmas Tree!



Happy Holidays to All



Beloved Carols Add to the Joy Of The Season

There is melody in the air, resounding in song. Christmas is the perfect time for musical expression! Many popular holiday songs were originally written to impart the knowledge of the birth of Jesus and the meaning and merriment of Christmas. These songs became known as "carols," derived from the French word "carole," meaning round dance. Early carols were simple songs with primitive dance accompaniment.

The first documented American Christmas carol is thought to have been written for the Huron Indians by St. John Brebeuf, a French missionary. This carol, now translated to English, remains part of Christmas song and dance in modern Quebec, Canada.

The custom of Christmas caroling dates back to the 16th century when singing groups traveled from home to home, wishing friends and neighbors the best of the season. Though greeting cards have replaced the necessity of in-person greetings, the tradition of door-to-door caroling is still widely practiced today.

Group singing is now included in religious and other services — emphasizing the importance of Christmas carols and their contributions to the spirit of the holiday season.

Most of us would agree that Christmas and the whole world is brighter and more meaningful when music is used to express the beauty of this holy and happy Yuletide season.



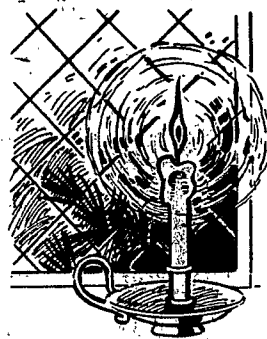
Legends of Christmas

Christmas brings to all a sense of wonder and admiration. These feelings are kept alive through the beautiful legends explaining many holiday traditions.

The story of the poinsettia takes place in Mexico in a little town where the custom was to offer Christmas Eve gifts to the Christ Child. A poor young boy, too shy to go to church without a gift, knelt outside the church window and began to pray. When he rose to his feet, he noticed a beautiful red

flower growing in the spot where he had knelt. Suddenly, he realized the lovely blossom was a gift from heaven to answer his prayers! Quickly, he took the flower inside the church and laid it before the altar. To

this day, the poinsettia is known in Mexico as the "Flower of the Holy Night."



Another Christmas legend explains the robin's red breast. It is said that the robin pulled a thorn from Christ's crown in an attempt to relieve some of the pain of the crucifixion. In doing so, a drop of blood fell on the robin's chest, and remained there forever.

The many ways of gift giving

The practice of exchanging gifts at Christmastime may be connected with a similar ancient Roman practice on New Year's Day.

However, most theologians trace the custom to gifts brought to the Infant Jesus by the Wise Men.

Dutch children fill wooden shoes with food and water for St. Nicholas and his horses. On Christmas morning, good children find that Nicholas has filled the shoes with small toys and candy. Bad children find them stuffed with sticks, however.

Italian children look to the Magi themselves for gift bringing. On January 6th, the Three Kings, or a helpful "witch," Befana, will leave treats for those who are good and tricks for the bad.



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Old World traditions still observed in the United States

Christmas in America reflects the ancestral legacy of many nations. Customs representing different traditions, widely practiced today, add a special joy and richness to this happy season.

For instance, popular egg-nog is a descendant of British 15th-16th century "Syllabub," a mixture of wine and creamed milk. And, traditional European Christmas "hunts" usually brought home a main course pheasant or turkey — the latter is still the most popular holiday meal choice here in America.

In addition to "the hunts," firearms were used to convey season's greetings, as shots rang out with holiday cheer. Today's well wishers find holiday greeting cards a quiet replacement!

During the Christmas season, the San Miguel Mission in Santa Fe, New Mexico is one of the many places presenting "Las Posadas," a play relating the story of the Holy Family's search for lodging. This tradition comes to us from Mexico. Sacred Spanish dramas of the middle ages, depicting humanity's struggles against the devil, are also part of New Mexican Christmas celebrations.

A Colonial Christmas is observed in Williamsburg, Virginia, beginning with the Grand Illumination of the city. A torch-carrying, drum-thumping band precedes the "town crier" who beckons residents to light window candles. The ornate celebration continues through the final weeks of December, culminating

New Year's Day with the cutting of "The Queen's Cake" at The King and Queen Dinner. A generous family meal is served to welcome the New Year.

In Greek Orthodox churches throughout America, children's pageants relating the Nativity story or other Christmas themes, are enhanced by Christmas carols from the old country.

In the Ozarks, mountaineers still retain the Old Christmas Day in January, long discarded by England, where the custom originated. And everywhere throughout America the Christmas tree, imported from Germany, is a brilliant example of Old World customs that add to the splendor of Christmas in the New World.



Food customs gathered from around world

Among the greatest pleasures of the holiday season are the many delicious foods prepared at this time.

Old World recipes make Christmas meals and holiday parties truly special. Handed down from generation to generation, such festive treats are holiday traditions in many American homes as well.

Austrians are famous for creating Salsburger Nockerl. Like a souffle, the

lemon-flavored egg-and-butter cake should be served straight from the oven. Topped with powdered sugar, Nockerl is a delightful breakfast or dessert treat.

Steam-baked Regal Plum Pudding is a British holiday tradition. The bread, suet, fruit, and nut mixture is generally baked in a decorative mold, making a lovely centerpiece before serving.

Popular Norwegian treats at Christmastime are the cookies known as "Medal-

jer," or medallions. These cherry-decorated cookies and butter cookies are Norwegian favorites for the holidays.

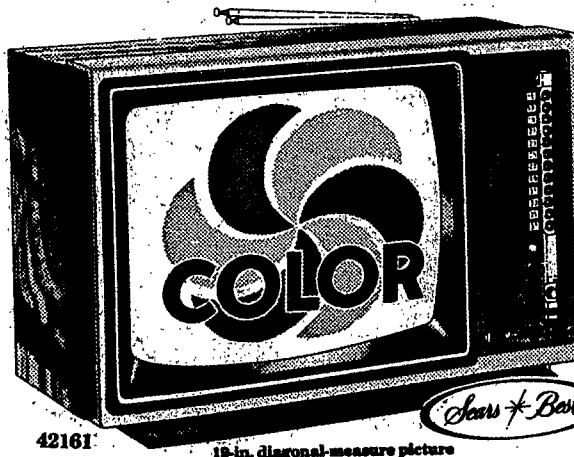
Although the Greek Christmas Day begins with fasting, evening dinner is by no means a meager meal. "Ovo-Lemono," a savory egg-lemon soup, is served with Christoposomo, an elaborately shaped yeast bread that's a must in every Greek household at holiday time.

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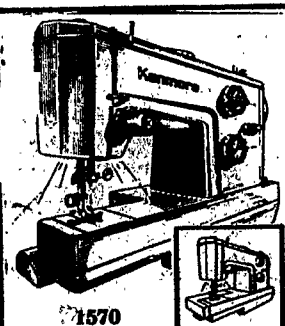
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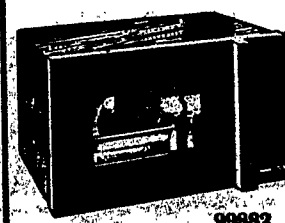
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Santa known by many names in myth and magic of Christmas

The whole history of Santa Claus and other enchanting gift-bringers is one of unusual and changing variety, adding to the myth and magic of Christmas.

Santa Claus himself is thought to be a fusion of Saint Nicholas and an ancient Yule God. The Saint was a 4th Century Bishop of Myra, a town in Asia Minor. Patron of sailors, bankers, and maidens, legend states that Nicholas saved the three daughters of an impoverished father from a life of probable prostitution by providing them with gold dowries. Hence, his association with gift-giving.

Good Saint Nicholas was not only well-wishing. He, and certain other versions of the Christmas gift bringer, had and sometimes still have, an accompanying servant to punish naughty children.

Bavarian children look forward to a December 6th visit from "Knecht Ruprecht," carrier of Saint Nicholas' holiday sweets. Candy is distributed to good children, while spankings

are received through "Grumbles," a devilish figure carrying sticks in order to accomplish his painful task. Formal presents are brought by the "Christ Child" on December 25th. The Christ Child, or "Christkindl," is supposed to be a messenger appearing on behalf of the about-to-be-born Jesus and is thought of as a girl.

In Holland, St. Nicholas becomes Sante Klaas. Children put out before the fireplace a pair of shoes or clogs filled with hay, water, and carrots for the Saint's white horse. The next morning, they find the shoes filled

with candy and little presents, or birch-rods, depending upon their behavior. The Christ Child also rides through the streets, bring-

ing surprise gifts to unsuspecting households.

In the U.S.A., "Christkindl" became verbally slurred to Kriss Kringle, and also changed shape into a "Father Christmas" figure — a bearded man with sleigh and reindeer bringing gifts and good cheer to all.

Sweden's children serve porridge to "Father Christmas" (Jultomen) and his elfin friends (Julnissar) who bring gifts (Julkapp) in unusual ways. Gifts containing several layers of wrapping and dedicatory verses are thrown through windows and sometimes brought by strangers.

The process of gift-giving continues in much variation around the world. Italian children receive gifts from The Three Kings and Befana, an old woman searching for the infant Jesus. A black Santa Claus parades yearly through Harlem, New York. Finland's present gift-giver is the moustached, unbearded, Ukko, an old man in caps and furs. In Poland, a traditional "Mother Star" brings gifts and in Hungary, children look to the angels for their presents.



How the best-loved carol was given to the world

One of the most revered Christmas carols in the whole world emerged from the small village of Obendorf in the Austrian Alps. On Christmas Eve, 1818, Father Joseph Mohr listened to Franz Gruber, the church organist, attempt to repair his prized instrument — broken beyond repair. It seemed there would be no music for the traditional midnight mass on Christmas Eve.

Later, a sad Father Mohr made his pastoral rounds through the village in the night's bitter cold. Suddenly, his mind flooded with thoughts of another starlit night in Bethlehem. Unconsciously, he began to repeat, "Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright!" Hurrying home, he seized a piece of paper. Several verses flowed from his pen.

When he finished, he told Gruber, "Write some music for my new poem, Franz. Simple music you can play on the guitar. Organ or no organ, we're going to have

Christmas Eve music!" That evening, the two men, accompanied only by a guitar, sang the loveliest of carols, "Silent Night."

Soon the song left the remote Alpine Valley. Karl Mauracher, who eventually repaired the church organ, requested a copy of the song. He gave the carol to a group of child singers, Amalie, Andreas, Caroline, and Joseph Strasser. "Silent Night" was among the songs these children sang to attract customers at the great Leipzig fair.

While visiting the fair, Saxony's famous director-general of music, Herr Pohlenz, heard the children and invited them to sing the lovely song before the King and Queen on Christmas Eve, 1832.

The acceptance of the carol, given to the world through the voices of four small children, was immediate and widespread. For all, the beauty of "Silent Night" remains part of the magic and tradition of Christmas.



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